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Unapproved Minutes of the January 24, 2013  
Sequence IV Surveillance Panel Meeting held in San Antonio, TX.

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A copy of the Agenda is included as Attachment 1

The attendance sheet is included as Attachment 2. Also in attendance via teleconference line were Andy Ritchie and Mike McMillen representing Infineum and Tim Miranda representing Castrol. Membership changes noted during the meeting were to replace Mark Sutherland with Jo Martinez for Oronite and to replace Eric Liu with Fred Gerhart for Southwest Research.

Bill Buscher agreed to be the motion and action item recorder for the meeting.

Minutes from the July 17, 2012 Conference call were approved.

**Review of Action Items;**

The following is a status of action items from the previous meeting

## Motions and Action Items

### As Recorded at the Meeting by Pat Lang

1. Action Item – Surveillance panel chair to contact Nissan to inquire about the potential for Nissan to make an additional test kits. Working with Nissan, it appears to there is potential to obtain additional hardware. Chair to meet with Nissan in early February, to be discussed in detail further today.
2. Action Item – SwRI to investigate solution to mild cam batch situation to determine if the mild cams can be brought to an acceptable severity level. Ongoing, to be discussed during today's meeting.
3. Action Item – Surveillance panel chair to solicit suppliers for a GF-5 technology reference oil with ACW performance in the 50 to 90  $\mu\text{m}$  range. One supplier has expressed an interest in possibly supplying an oil, ongoing.
4. Action Item – TMC to reassign RO 1009 assignments that are for the IVA to the VG. Completed.
5. Action Item – Form a task force to further investigate driveline dynamics and the effect on camshaft wear. The task force will be lead by Eric Liu with the following members: Al Lopez, Jerry Brys, Mark Mosher, Rich Grundza, Tim Claudill, Christian Porter and Bill Buscher. On going, report from Eric Liu under item 12.
6. Motion – Remove RO 1009 from the IVA LTMS. Completed.

**Fuel Suppliers report.** A copy of the Certificate of analysis is included as attachment 3. There were no questions or comments raised for the fuel supplier. It was noted that the IVB test may be run on EEE fuel, depending on how the severity of initial tests performs.

### **Hardware Issues.**

Based on the most recent IVA hardware survey, most labs estimate they will be out of parts by 2014. Activity level has been higher than expected. One lab indicated they ran 99 tests in the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of 2012 when they had **run** 53 tests in the first half of 2012. Based on current estimates, it appears that industry will need somewhere between 550 and 600 tests worth of hardware to see testing through 2016. There is potential to obtain another parts solicitation from Nissan, but the hardware is no longer "production" hardware and is now "service" hardware. Bill was unsure what this means and wasn't sure if this hardware will be batched, that is identified with a batch code designation. Bill indicated that gaskets are available and cylinder heads as well. However, heads are bare and will need to have the individual components procured as well and heads will need to be assembled. Over the past few years, the number of runs which a head and block can be run have been increased, and some engines and heads are available which have runs left on them. It was suggested that perhaps some of these heads/blocks can be reinstalled and the remaining runs be used. A suggestion was made that perhaps the number of runs can be increased.

One issue that may cause engines to no longer be used is blowby. Once blowby gets to approximately 16L/min, the ability to maintain fresh **air flow** is negatively impacted. It was suggested that perhaps the number of runs can be increased to 48 and 24 for blocks and heads, respectively. Oil coolers are also an issue and are no longer available. An adapter can be made to allow the use of the Sequence III cooler, which can be supplied for the foreseeable future. The sequence III cooler is nickel plated, and this cooler can be obtained without plating. ECM's are no longer available, however, there are remanufactured units available from a supplier, Americore Auto.com, the ECM is ECV-RR-SVC. OHT had 4 harnesses in stock, but all have been sold. Labs are to send any failed harnesses to OHT to be evaluated for possible rework.

Discussion next centered around ways to make some "mild" cam batches usable. It was suggested that one way to address some of the severity issues was to potentially regrind cams. Bill Buscher indicated that Southwest had a number of cams reground and the performance of these cams was on target. Considerable discussion ensued regarding the modification of these test parts and the reasoning behind modifying hardware. Bill explained that in screening some of these new camshafts, they noted that there is a 3 – 5 micron convexity on some camshaft batches. When confronted with this, they began to measure each camshaft prior to testing, determining the convexity, then including this pretest value in the total wear value. When confronted with measuring each cam prior to testing, the laboratory sought a way to eliminate the pre-test measurement. The laboratory contacted OHT and asked if they could have the camshafts reground, which is a normal operation for the camshaft supplier. OHT confirmed that these camshafts could be properly refinished. OHT's vendor used to manufacture **IIIF/G** camshaft, **was utilized for regrinding this camshaft** and OHT paid them to reverse engineer this material to confirm the profile, surface finish, etc. The profile of the camshaft is unaltered during the refinishing process. OH Technologies, Inc. was unaware of any intended purpose of this material being used in an ASTM method without the knowledge of the Surveillance Panel. Jason Bowden stated OHT told SwRI that it was OHT's position that if this material is going to be used in the ASTM test method the Surveillance Panel should be notified. Approximately 150 tests were determined to be run with reground cams. Several members expressed concerns about the process of regrinding cams and that it was in effect, modifying test hardware, and this activity should not be done without advising the surveillance panel. Bill indicated that batches **NK9X230**–NK04120 and NK05190 had all been reground and used for reference and candidate tests. There was some uncertainty about whether some of **batch** 087230 cams may have been reworked. Al Lopez raised the question of whether he would have to regrind NK cams in his lab, since Southwest had modified these batches of cams. There was no clear direction on this item in the panel discussions. Bill reiterated the changes the panel had made to the test to deal with severity, which included driveline and mounting issues and standardization of blowby measurements. There were questions about the regrinding process and Jason Bowden explained that the cams are ground to a certain height and the entire lobe and cam is reground. Bill also noted that some of the 99 cams exhibited a surface change relative to other batches. They had attempted plasma cleaning which was able to move the severity of these cams **some**, but attempts to regrind these did not alter severity. There is no print available for this cam and Bill suggested there may be some 300 cams which may require rework in industry. When asked about potentially allowing this practice, several members commented that the engineering behind this approach appeared to be sound, but the needed more details to make a decision on whether the practice should be acceptable. After more discussions about the regrinding, a motion was made for Southwest to draft a report detailing the cam batches, number of tests and timeline for the measurement changes and the regrinding process. This report is to be included in the minutes from this meeting with a date for completion as the end of business January 31, 2013. This report is included as attachment 4.

#### **Plan to Sustain Test through 2016.**

The next series of discussions were centered around what actions need to be taken to make available hardware to meet testing requirements through 2016. There was some discussion about the 990727 cam lot. One lab had identified these cams as mild and another lab had shelved them because of the 1<sup>st</sup> labs experience. Since this situation was identified, a third laboratory had successfully calibrated on this lot. The first lab intends to run these cams, after appropriate references had been conducted on this hardware.

This lab believes that the severity may not be so much cam related as issues with driveline that were identified much later. Discussions then centered around whether correction factors could be used on mild hardware batches and whether another source of cams could be found. OHT has a supplier who manufactured this cam, but the issue may be the availability of followers to be used with the cams. Al Lopez indicated that followers may be available from abandoned cam lots. Correction factors were not favorably viewed by the panel as they may be lab based and might be quite large, given some of the lot performances in the past. These actions were thought to be unnecessary as it appears Nissan will make available additional hardware. Oil coolers were then addressed. The Nissan Cooler is no longer available. One lab is out of coolers. OHT has an oil cooler that is used for Sequence III tests that can be adapted to the Nissan engine, but it is nickel plated. OHT indicated that these coolers are plated by OHT, so they can be procured without plating. There were some concerns about the copper in these coolers leaching into the oil, but this was primarily a concern in the Sequence III due to much higher oil temperatures. In addition, studies by some suppliers indicated that copper had little or no effect on severity. It was noted that the coolers that are currently used in the IVA are copper brazed and are not nickel plated. The panel approved a motion by Bill Buscher and seconded by Jerry Brys to allow the use of oil cooler, part number OHTKA24-006-1 with adapter OHTKA24-005-1 as an acceptable replacement for the Nissan Cooler, providing an acceptable calibration test has been conducted in the laboratory using this cooler. Once a laboratory switches to this cooler it must continue to use this cooler for subsequent engine installations. This motion was approved by twelve members with one member abstaining. Distributors are currently being refurbished with no issues noted at this time. There are a number of engines and heads that have runs remaining on them based on the current procedure, which could be reinstalled. In previous discussions, it was determined that there is no issue with blowby and oil consumption up to 50 runs on an engine. With that, the panel approved a motion by Al Lopez and seconded by Jerry Brys to increase the number of runs allowed on an engine to 48 and on cylinder heads to 24 runs. This motion was approved by twelve members with one member abstaining. Additional hardware that is no longer available included throttle bodies, exhaust manifolds and intake manifolds. Some labs have been obtaining this hardware from salvage yards. It is believed that throttle bodies can be refurbished and an Action item was assigned to the panel to define a procedure for reworking throttle bodies. Though previously discussed, Jerry Brys was given the action item to provide the source for remanufactured Engine control modules. Labs are also to check their inventory for damaged harnesses that can be shipped to OHT for rework. A copy of Bill's hardware report is included as attachment 5.

#### **Reference Oil Review**

Twenty five test targets were reviewed. These data are included in attachment 6. There being almost no difference between the twenty five test and fifteen test means and standard deviations, the panel decided to take no action at this time and to assign an action item to Rich Grundza to fix targets when thirty tests are obtained. Bill Buscher again reiterated the need for an oil in the 50 to 60 micron range and asked panel members to check with their companies and suppliers to see if one could be made available.

#### **Driveline Dynamics Task Force.**

Eric Liu presented the work he has done with regard to analyzing driveline vibrations, included as attachment 7. He noted that there is a difference between damped and solid shafts and this difference alters the natural frequency of the driveline. Driveline length can also alter the driveline frequency. Eric intends to attempt to correlate vibration to contact temperature and would like to incorporate data from the other labs. He intends to provide an update for the next meeting.

#### **Test Hardware Modifications**

In line with the previous discussions the panel approved a motion by Rich Grundza, seconded by Jason Bowden to not allow modification or alteration of test hardware without the direction of the surveillance panel. This motion was approved unanimously.

#### **Sequence IVB Update**

Bill reviewed a presentation from **Teri Kowalski** of Toyota regarding IVB development. Southwest has two stands installed, one stand operational and the second needing a wiring harness. The engine is a four

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valve per cylinder, four cylinder engine and currently is using pump fuel. A laser mike will be needed for cam measurement. Bell housings are a special item and need to be procured from Toyota. OHT is developing a jacketed valve cover and also is modifying a front cover to facilitate cam removal and installation. Other labs were asked about their ability to install stands and Afton was unsure whether they would be installing a stand. Lubrizol and Ashland will be installing stands, but probably wouldn't be able to participate in a matrix.

**Next meeting.**

A conference call or face to face meeting will be undertaken shortly after the minutes are issued with the Southwest report tests regarding the regrinding on convexity of some cam lots.

A copy of the motions and action items from this meeting is included as 8.

With a motion to adjourn from Bill and a second from Rich, the meeting was adjourned at 5:45 PM.

## **Sequence IVA Surveillance Panel**

San Antonio, TX

Southwest Research Institute, Building 209

January 24, 2013

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

### A G E N D A

1. Chairman comments
2. Attendance sign-in sheet distribution
3. Membership changes
4. Motion and Action recorders
5. Approval of minutes for 7/12/2012 All
6. Action item review Buscher
7. Fuel supplier report – KA24E Green Fuel Carter
  - Any issues with supply through 2016?
8. Test availability and hardware status Buscher
  - Review latest IVA hardware survey results
  - Review severity of remaining camshaft batches
  - Review hardware shortages
    - Test kits
    - Oil coolers
    - Distributors
    - Wiring harnesses
    - Other?
  - Review of test unavailability estimates
  - Update on additional industry hardware order from Nissan
9. Develop plan to sustain test through 2016 All
  - Redistribution of hardware between labs?
  - Correction factors applied to mild camshaft batches?
  - OHT to manufacture camshafts if Nissan

cannot offer an additional industry hardware order?

- Reusing rocker arms and rocker shafts with OHT manufactured camshafts?
- Use OHT IIIF/IIIG nickel plated oil cooler as replacement for Nissan oil cooler?
  - An adapter would be necessary (SwRI has already designed one and could make a print available to OHT).
- Use Nissan or aftermarket distributor caps and rotors to rebuild distributors. This is already being done at some labs, with Nissan parts.
- If labs have been saving engine and cylinder head assemblies, the following can be considered:
  - Reinstall earlier engines and cylinder heads that have 12/16/20 and 6/8/10 runs to get the full 32 and 16 runs that are now allowed. This is already being done at some labs.
  - Rebuild used engine and cylinder head assemblies to allow for an additional 32 and 16 runs?
  - Increase the number of allowed runs beyond 32 and 16 runs?
- Acquire studs for cam caps and rocker covers to eliminate problems with threads in the aluminum cylinder heads?
- Use aftermarket gaskets and seals if Nissan components are no longer available?
- Acquire used components from salvage yards to replace worn components from test stand kits. This is already being done at some labs.
  - Need to locate components from 1994 – 1996 Nissan pickup trucks.
  - Refurbish some components, such as throttle bodies, if necessary.
- Repair damaged and currently unusable wiring harnesses?

10. Reference Oil Review
- RO 1006-2 target status

Grundza/  
Buscher





- New RO status

11. Update on driveline dynamics task force      Liu
12. Update on Sequence IVB test development      Kowalski/  
Buscher
13. Review Scope & Objectives      Buscher
14. Old business
15. New business
16. Next meeting
17. Tour of Sequence IVB test stands      All
18. Adjourn




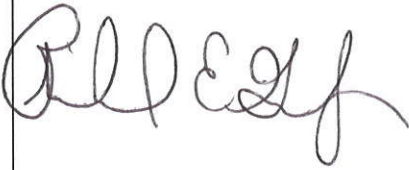


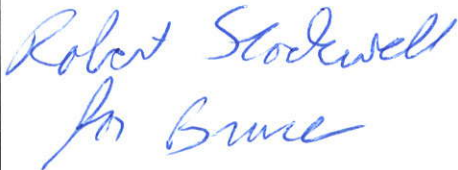
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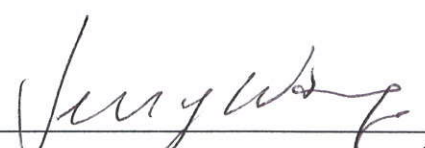

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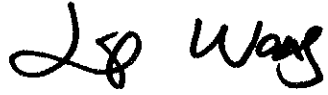

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| <b>HALTERMANN</b>    |                        | <b>TMO No.:</b>   |
| <b>PRODUCT CODE:</b> | <b>HF0008</b>          | <b>Tank No.:</b>  |
|                      |                        | <b>Date:</b>      |

| TEST                   | METHOD     | UNITS       | SPECIFICATIONS |            |
|------------------------|------------|-------------|----------------|------------|
|                        |            |             | MIN            | TARGET MAX |
| Distillation - IBP     | ASTM D86   | °F          | 75             | 95         |
|                        | 5%         | °F          |                |            |
|                        | 10%        | °F          | 120            | 135        |
|                        | 20%        | °F          |                |            |
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|                        | 40%        | °F          |                |            |
|                        | 50%        | °F          | 200            | 230        |
|                        | 60%        | °F          |                |            |
|                        | 70%        | °F          |                |            |
|                        | 80%        | °F          |                |            |
|                        | 90%        | °F          | 300            | 325        |
| 95%                    | °F         |             |                |            |
| Distillation - EP      |            | °F          | 385            | 415        |
| Recovery               |            | vol %       | Report         |            |
| Residue                |            | vol %       | Report         |            |
| Loss                   |            | vol %       | Report         |            |
| Gravity                | ASTM D4052 | °API        | 58.7           | 61.2       |
| Density                | ASTM D4052 | kg/l        | 0.734          | 0.744      |
| Reid Vapor Pressure    | ASTM D5191 | psi         | 8.8            | 9.2        |
| Carbon                 | ASTM E191  | wt fraction | 0.858          | 0.8667     |
| Carbon                 | ASTM D3343 | wt fraction | Report         |            |
| Sulfur                 | ASTM D2622 | wt %        | 0.01           | 0.04       |
| Lead                   | ASTM D3237 | g/gal       |                | 0.05       |
| Oxygen                 | ASTM D4815 | wt %        |                | 0.2        |
| Composition, aromatics | ASTM D1319 | vol %       |                | 35         |
| Composition, olefins   | ASTM D1319 | vol %       | 5              | 10         |
| Composition, saturates | ASTM D1319 | vol %       | Report         |            |
| Oxidation Stability    | ASTM D525  | minutes     | 1440           |            |
| Copper Corrosion       | ASTM D130  |             |                | 1          |
| Gum content, washed    | ASTM D381  | mg/100ml    |                | 5          |
| Research Octane Number | ASTM D2699 |             | 96             | 97.5       |
| Motor Octane Number    | ASTM D2700 |             | Report         |            |
| R+M/2                  | D2699/2700 |             | Report         |            |
| Sensitivity            | D2699/2700 |             | 7.5            |            |
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## Attachment 3

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| 1.5           | 1.9           | 2             | 1.1           | 1             |
| 59.9          | 59.9          | 59.4          | 60            | 59.7          |
| 0.738         | 0.738         | 0.741         | 0.738         | 0.739         |
| 9             | 9.2           | 9             | 9.2           | 9.1           |
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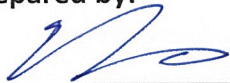
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## Introduction

On January 24, 2013 the Sequence IVA Surveillance Panel conducted a face-to-face meeting. The primary purpose of this meeting was to discuss hardware availability and action to sustain this test through 2016. While discussing hardware currently available in the industry and plans for an additional hardware order with Nissan, SwRI informed the Surveillance Panel that starting with the 080730 lot it had identified multiple camshaft lots with a manufacturing anomaly on the lobe surface that prevented accurate wear measurements and produced unacceptable mild reference test results of three to four standard deviations from target. SwRI further informed the Surveillance Panel that regrinding the lobes of the camshafts from these lots was found to be a solution to correct the manufacturing anomaly while providing proper severity for the Sequence IVA test.

SwRI also stated that it had taken action and reground all camshafts from five lots, once the anomaly was identified and regrinding was proven effective. SwRI conducted “in-house” tests to prove out the performance of the reground camshafts, conducted successful calibration tests to introduce the reground camshafts and conducted candidate tests with the reground camshafts following the successful reference tests on reground camshafts. This information resulted in concern from some of the panel members, including the Test Monitoring Center. A motion was made at the Surveillance Panel meeting for SwRI to issue this report to the panel members for review. It is important to note that at the time of the discovery of this anomaly, all hardware orders from Nissan had been placed for the life of the Sequence IVA test, and the option to reject the quantities of hardware that SwRI determined to be unusable in its “as received” state would have resulted in the Sequence IVA test becoming unavailable within the industry prior to its expected life through GF-5 of 2016.

## Description of the Anomaly

The manufacturing anomaly that SwRI identified is described as convexity on the camshaft lobe surface. This surface is supposed to be flat. The convex lobes exhibit a crown that protrudes up to  $7\mu\text{m}$  above the flat surface that normally is used as the baseline to calculate the wear value. A convex camshaft lobe that is undetected and/or uncorrected would lead to an incorrect wear measurement that is milder than the actual wear on a camshaft lobe, because the crown material that is worn off above the baseline is not accounted for when the standard Sequence IVA camshaft wear measurement method is applied. A visual example is shown in Figure 1.

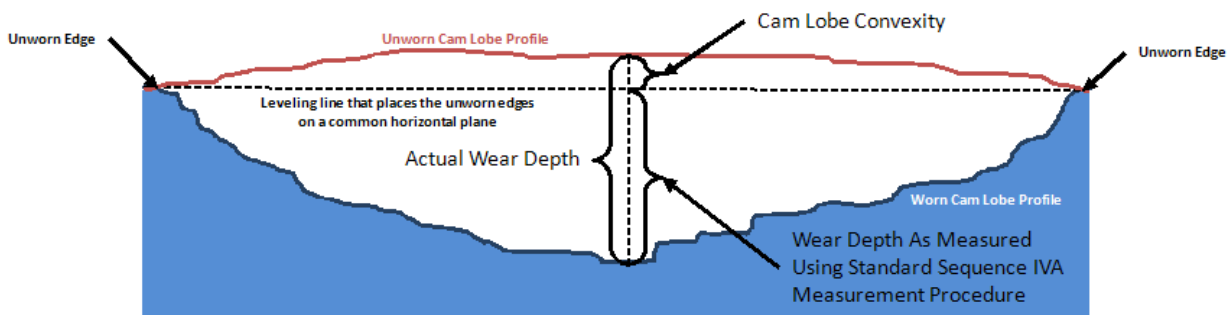
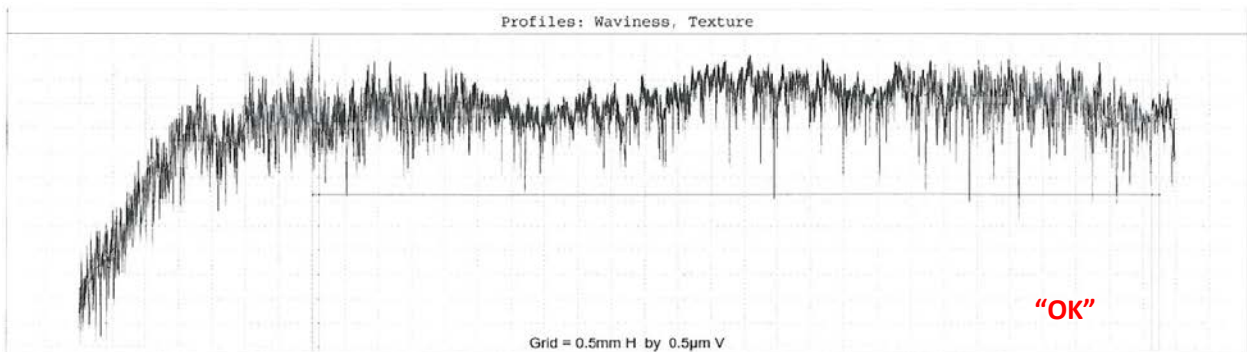
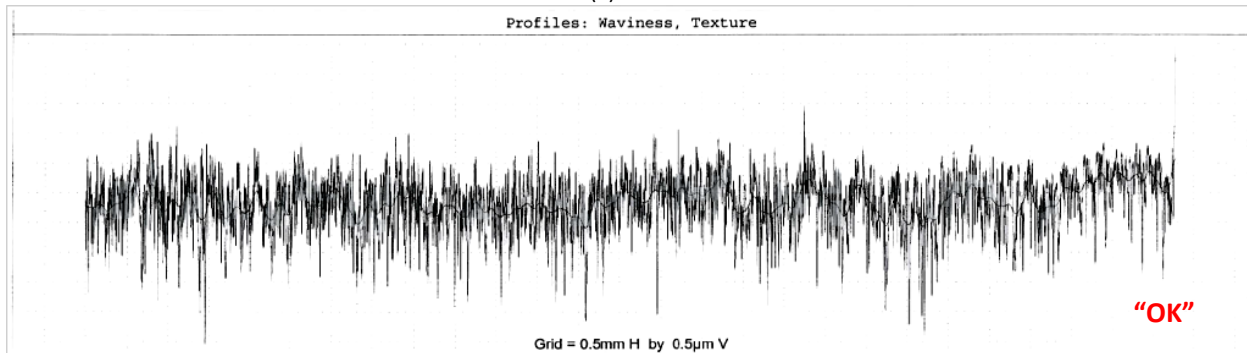


Figure 1: Explanation of Anomaly

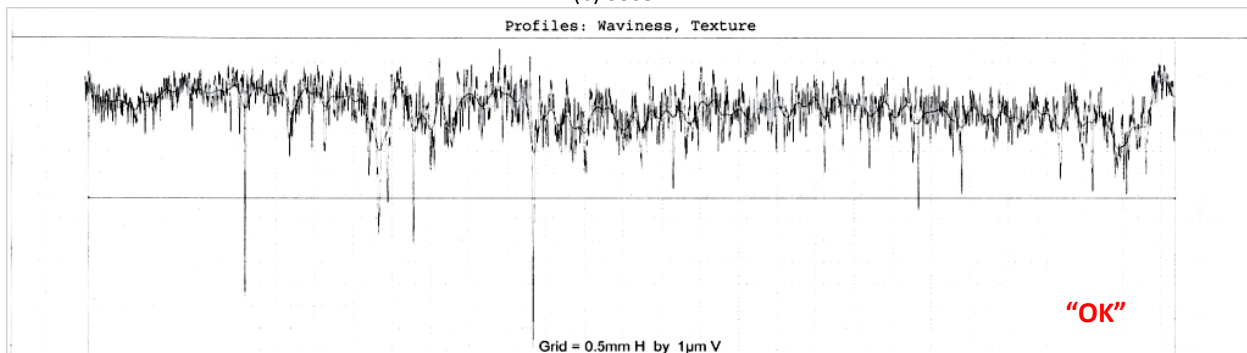
Starting with camshaft lot 080730, the camshaft lobe surfaces, on intermittent camshafts from some lots and on all camshafts from other lots, were found with this condition. For these camshafts, the lobe surface was found to be a convex curve, whose peak was above the horizontal line that connected the two edges of the camshaft lobe. Figure 2 shows the pre-test lobe measurements over time for the various camshaft batches received by SwRI for testing. As shown in Figure 2, this anomaly was not observed on any camshaft lobe surfaces prior to the 080730 lot. This was first discovered while taking traces of the base circle profile in the case where a post-test lobe is missing a discrete non-worn edge (as per the no-form method in Section 11.5.3.6 of the Sequence IVA Test Method ASTM D 6891). It was also noted that camshaft lobe surfaces from lots manufactured in 2008 and later were progressively non-linear, and the peak of the curve progressively increased, as shown in Figure 2.



(a) 051124



(b) 080317



(c) 080418

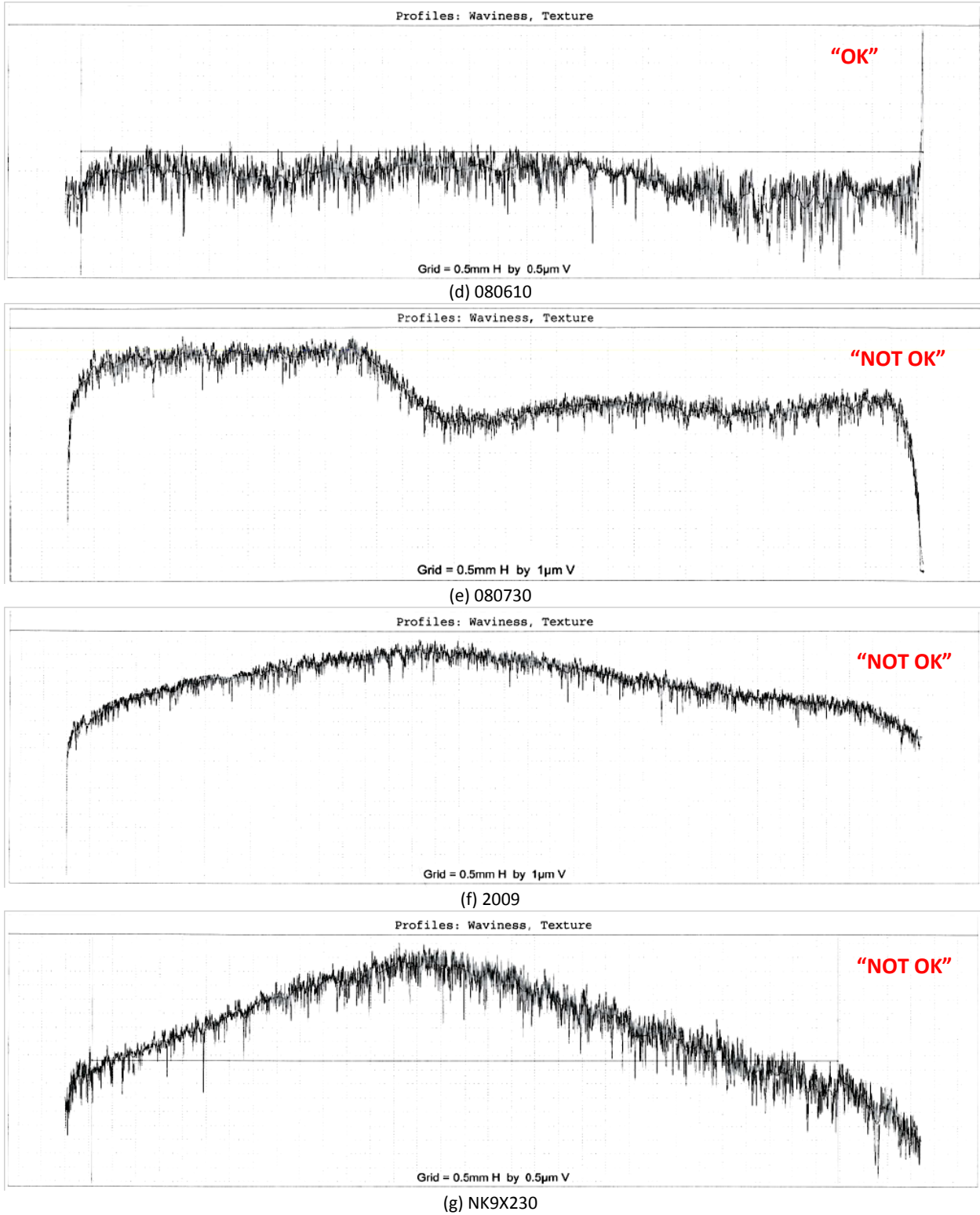


Figure 2: Progression of Camshaft Lobe Surface Curvature Over Seven Camshaft Lots; (a) 051124, (b) 080317, (c) 080418, (d) 080610, (e) 080730, (f) 2009, (g) NK9X230



The waviness (Wt) of the cam lobe surfaces of multiple camshaft lots are shown in Figure 3. For the purposes of this discussion, Wt is described as the maximum difference between any two points on a surface profile trace of a camshaft lobe. Therefore, Wt represents the distance from the peak of the curve to the edges. As the Wt value increases so does the convexity of a new camshaft lobe surface profile.

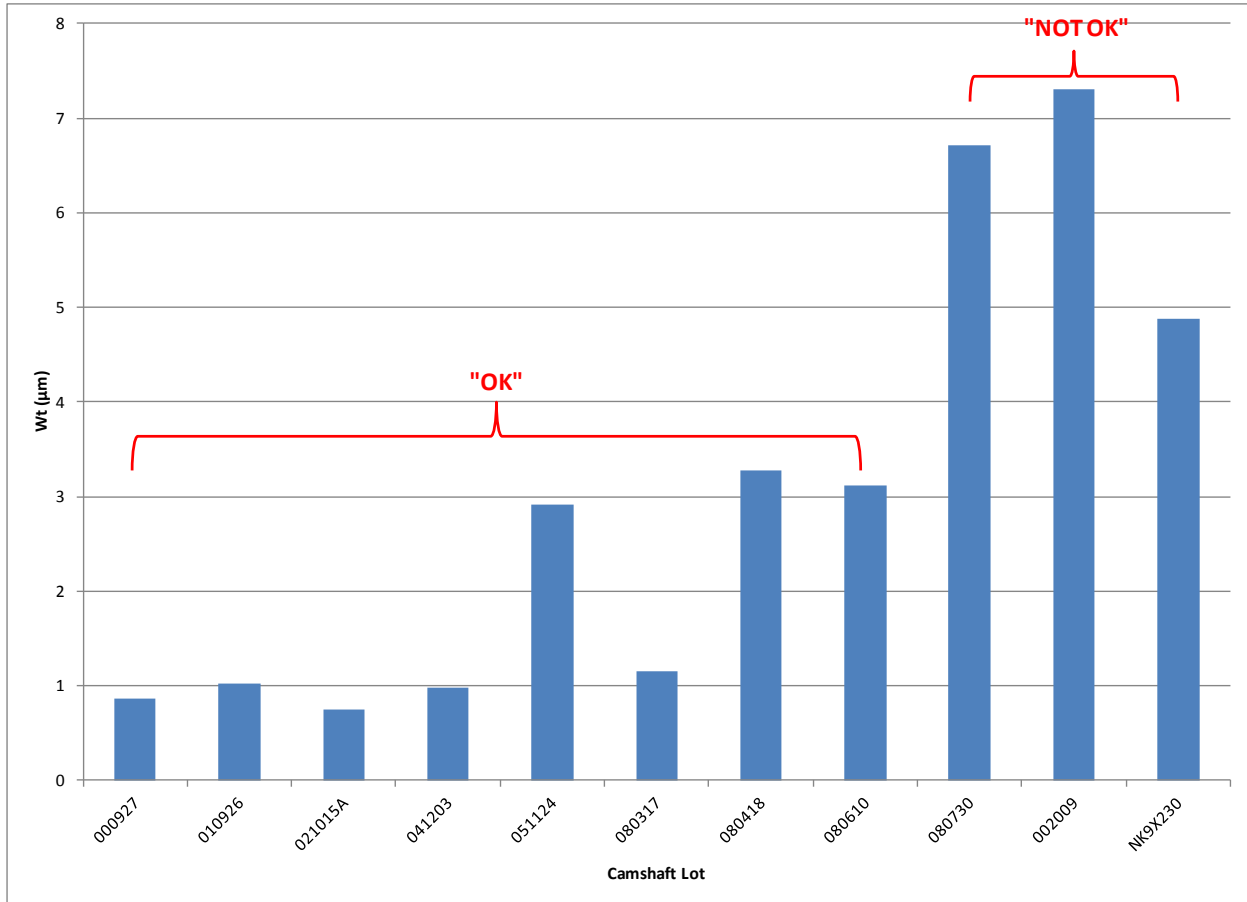


Figure 3: Wt of Camshaft Lobe Surfaces from Multiple Camshaft Lots

The curvature of the camshaft lobe surface ultimately affected the wear depth measurement conducted at each position of the camshaft lobe (7 per lobe, 84 per camshaft). The standard wear measurement method, described in Section 11.5.3.3 of ASTM D 6891, states that the unworn edges found on each camshaft lobe are to be used “to define a two-point reference line” from which to measure the maximum depth of wear. A diagram describing the standard measurement method for determining the maximum wear depth is shown in Figure 4.

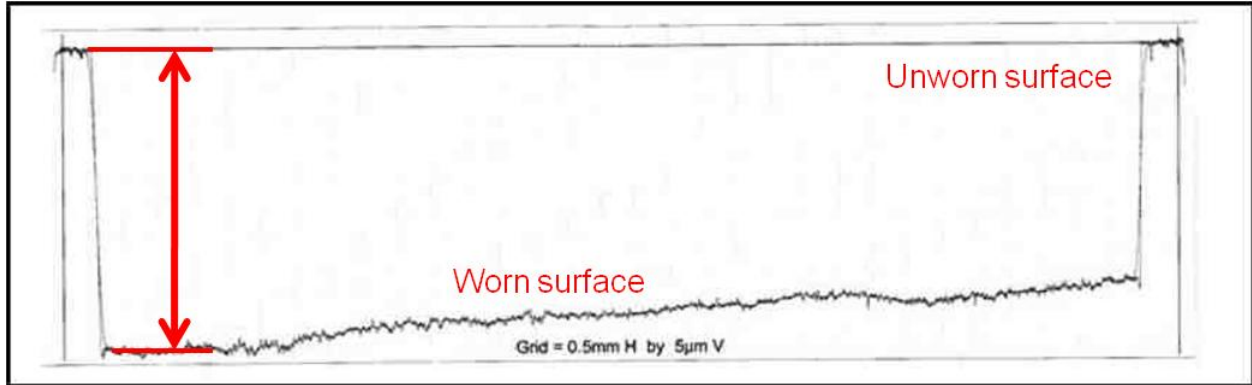


Figure 4: Standard Procedural Measurement of the Maximum Wear Depth Seen at a Camshaft Lobe Position

The maximum wear depth, by definition, is the greatest distance between the unworn surface and the worn surface of the camshaft lobe. Therefore, the accuracy of the measurement method described in the test procedure was based on the assumption that the original surface of the camshaft lobe could be properly represented by a flat line that connected the two unworn surfaces at the edge of each camshaft lobe; the assumption being that the original camshaft lobe surface was flat, not curved.

The convex curvature of the camshaft lobe surface undermines the assumption of an originally flat camshaft lobe profile; the pre-test profile of the camshaft lobe could no longer be defined with just two points defined by unworn edges. The integrity of the measurement of maximum wear depth had been jeopardized due to insufficient definition of the original camshaft lobe profile.

It is important to note that not a single camshaft, from any of these lots, measured greater than or equal to the camshaft rejection criteria indicated in Section 9.6.2.3 of ASTM D 6891 (*reject any camshaft that exhibits taper, concavity, or convexity of more than the 10µm variation*). However, if left uncorrected or not measured properly post test, it is SwRI's opinion that the cumulative summation of the error has potential to skew results, thus allowing a borderline failing oil to become a passing oil.

## Development of the Pre-Test/Post-Test Overlay Wear Measurement Method

Upon discovery of this anomaly at SwRI, the initial engineering decision was to utilize the pre-test camshaft lobe profile trace to define the reference line for measuring the maximum wear depth. SwRI followed the guidelines indicated in Section 11.5.3.12 of ASTM D 6891. Section 11.5.3.12 states *“It will rarely occur that the above techniques provide a wear measurement that appears unreasonable (for example, a known unworn area that is not displayed as the highest point on a trace). When this occurs, consult the test engineer for the proper leveling and wear interpretation of that trace. Document the process utilized to make this wear measurement evaluation in the test report.”* Also, Section 11.5.3.4 of ASTM D 6891 references use of the pre-test profile to extrapolate the reference line.

While conducting post-test camshaft lobe measurements, the pre-test camshaft lobe profile was overlaid with the post-test camshaft lobe profile as illustrated in Figure 5. The maximum wear depth was determined by taking the largest difference between the pre- and post-test camshaft lobe profiles. This is indicated by “Actual wear” in Figure 5. In all instances where this wear measurement method was used to determine test results, comments were added to all the final test reports, reflecting that action.

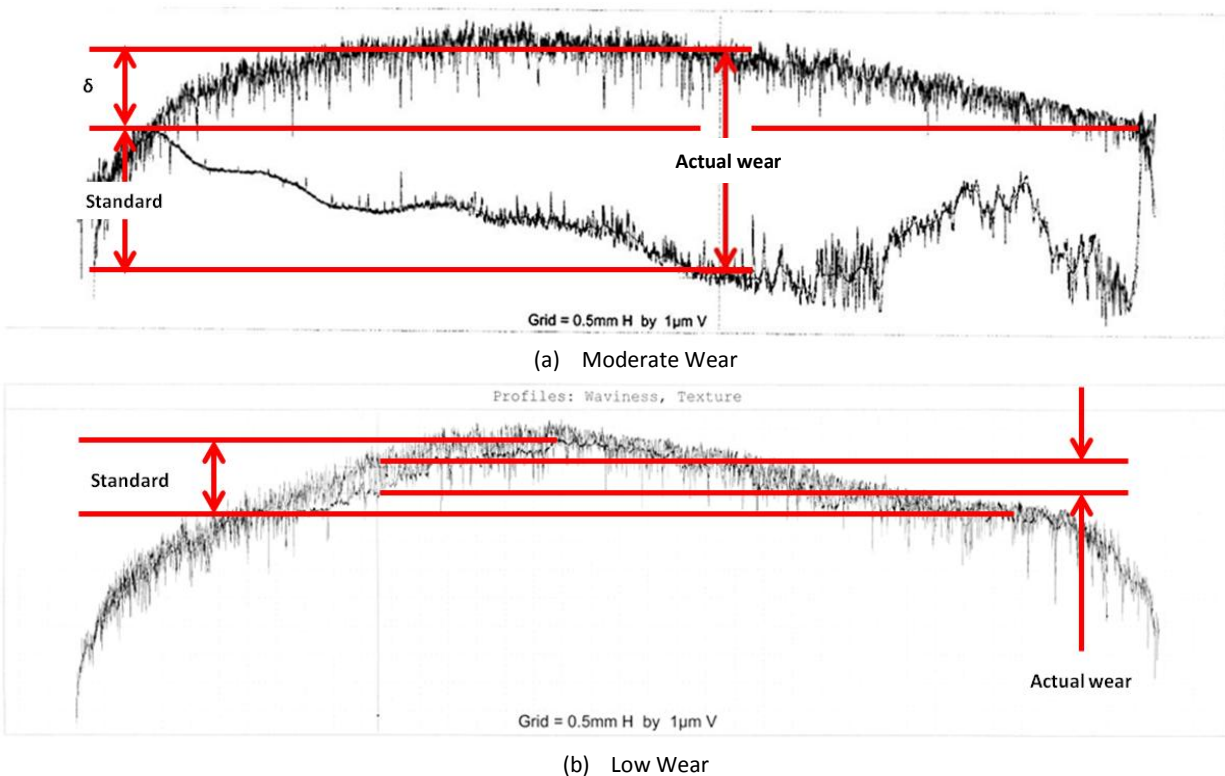


Figure 5: Comparison of Overlay Method and Standard Sequence IVA Method for Measurement of Camshaft Lobe Wear; (a) Moderate Wear, (b) Low Wear

It is shown in Figure 5 that by overlaying the pre- and post-test camshaft lobe profiles, the average camshaft wear (ACW) was higher than the ACW obtained using the standard measurement method. Figure 5b illustrates that, in actuality, if only the standard Sequence IVA ACW measurement method is applied, the convexity of the cam lobe is measured in the case of a low wear cam lobe instead of the actual wear depth.

An example of a post-test camshaft measured by both ACW measurement methods is shown in Figure 6. The conventional method produces an average wear of 71.23 $\mu\text{m}$  and the overlay method produces an average wear of 80.89 $\mu\text{m}$ . The discrepancy between the average camshaft wear values obtained from each measurement method is 13.6% for this example, and has the potential to be even greater depending on the height of the convexity and the severity of the wear.

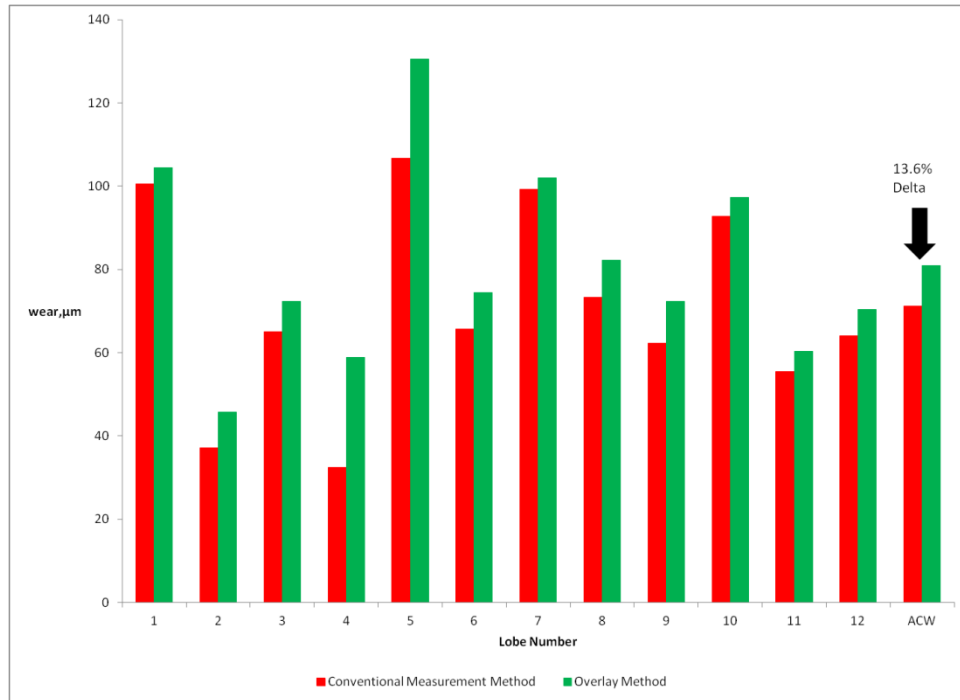


Figure 6: Comparison of ACW Result Using Overlay Method and Standard Sequence IVA Method for Measurement of Camshaft Lobe Wear<sup>1</sup>

The pre-test/post-test overlay wear measurement method was proven as an effective way to address camshafts with the convex lobe anomaly, but it had some drawbacks that led SwRI to consider additional solutions to the problem. The primary drawbacks include a certain amount of human subjectivity when overlaying the pre-test and post-test camshaft lobe profiles, and the difficulty applying this method to a post-test lobe with the absence of a discrete non-worn edge.

<sup>1</sup> The detailed results tables for the two measurement methods are included in Appendix A Table 1.

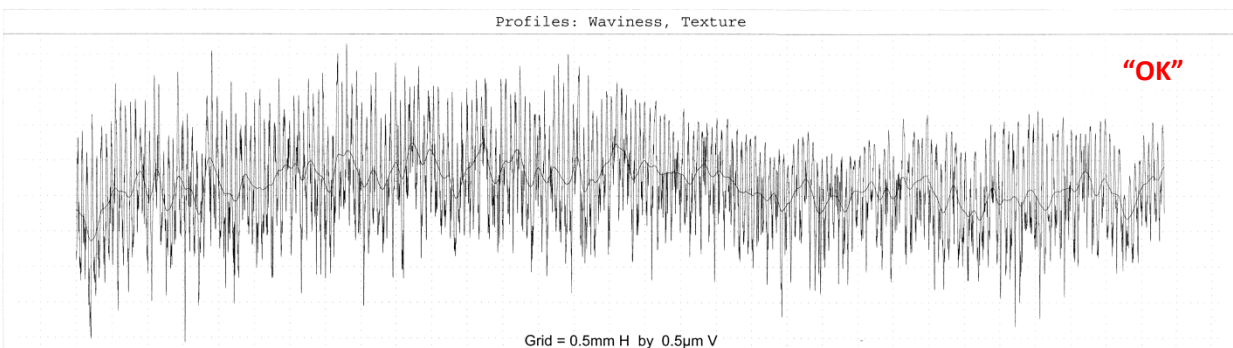
## Restoration of the Flat Camshaft Lobe Profile

An alternative to conducting the measurement with overlaying profile traces was to restore the profile of the original camshaft lobe surface to be flat. Thus, the surface of the camshaft lobe was reground to produce a flat surface profile as well as target the average roughness of the camshaft lobe surfaces of camshafts manufactured prior to 2008. The average roughness (Ra), skew (Rsk), and Wt of the base circle traces of previous camshaft lots were used as a reference to restore the surface of the camshaft lobes. A table of the Ra, Rsk, and Wt is shown in Table 1.

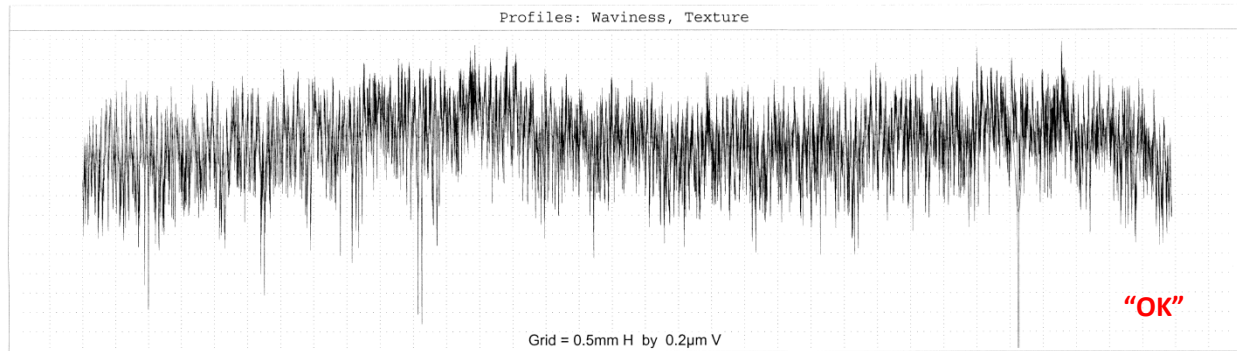
| Cam Batch       | Ra ( $\mu\text{m}$ ) | Rsk          | Wt ( $\mu\text{m}$ ) |
|-----------------|----------------------|--------------|----------------------|
| 990628          | 0.25                 | -1.42        | 0.77                 |
| 990628          | 0.29                 | -0.93        | 1.42                 |
| 000927          | 0.35                 | -0.84        | 0.87                 |
| 000927          | 0.32                 | -0.74        | 0.97                 |
| 010926          | 0.42                 | -0.46        | 1.40                 |
| 010926          | 0.22                 | -1.22        | 1.03                 |
| 010926          | 0.31                 | -0.74        | 1.23                 |
| 010926          | 0.32                 | -0.91        | 1.10                 |
| 021015A         | 0.20                 | -0.62        | 0.75                 |
| 041203          | 0.21                 | -0.40        | 1.02                 |
| 041203          | 0.19                 | -0.61        | 0.98                 |
| 051124          | 0.28                 | -0.89        | 2.91                 |
| <b>Average</b>  | <b>0.28</b>          | <b>-0.82</b> | <b>1.20</b>          |
| <b>St. Dev.</b> | <b>0.07</b>          | <b>0.29</b>  | <b>0.58</b>          |

Table 1: Ra, Rsk, and Wt of Camshaft Lobe Surfaces Prior to 2008

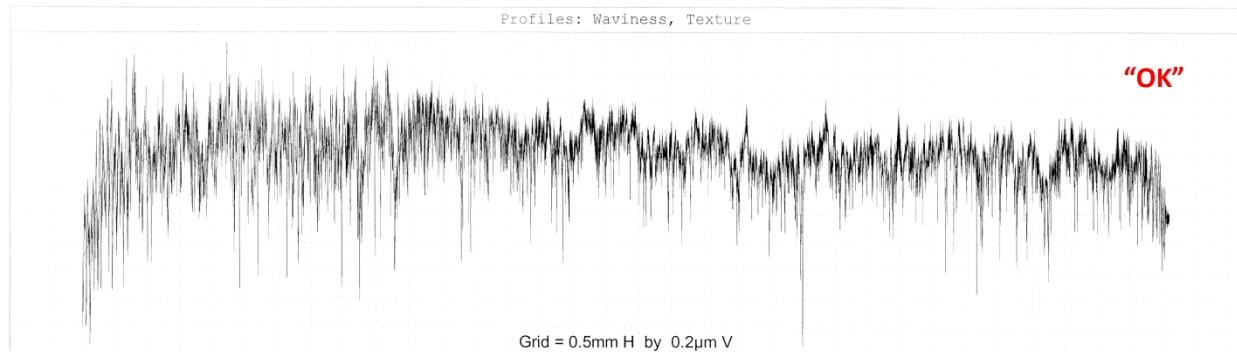
For comparison, the reground camshaft lobes had an average Ra, Rsk, and Wt of  $0.26\mu\text{m}$ ,  $-0.14$ , and  $0.79\mu\text{m}$ , respectively. An example of the final reground camshaft lobe surface from each of the reground camshaft lots are shown in Figure 7.



(a) 080730 After Regrinding



(b) NK04120 After Regrinding



(c) NK05190 After Regrinding

Figure 7: Camshaft Lobe Surfaces of Reground Camshafts, Including Three Camshaft Lots;(a) 080730, (b) NK04120, (c) NK05190<sup>2</sup>

This regrinding procedure was pursued after SwRI discussed the manufacturing anomaly with a performance camshaft manufacturer. This camshaft manufacturer was familiar with the anomaly, usually resulting from tool wear during a production run of camshafts, and indicated it was common to regrind camshafts if this anomaly was identified at the completion of the machining process. After discussions with this camshaft manufacturer, SwRI contacted OHT and inquired about the possibility of having OHT regrind a couple of example camshafts from lot 080730. SwRI choose to use OHT for the regrinding, because of their historical expertise in this specific area.

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<sup>2</sup> Please note that the surface profiles and Wt data generated on un-ground camshafts from lots NK04120 or NK05190, to determine the need for regrinding was not saved, and therefore was unavailable for inclusion in the “Description of the Anomaly” section of this report

The details of the OHT regrinding process for all Sequence IVA camshafts reground to-date are included below:

- Regrinding performed by supplier that manufactures Sequence IIIF and IIIG camshafts for OHT.
- Material removal is limited to 5µm off of the lobe surface during the regrinding process.
- Production lobe profile maintained.
- Profile of reground camshafts must be comparable to an acceptable test camshaft example supplied by SwRI.
- Cam lobes must be reground to Ra, Rsk, and Wt specifications supplied by SwRI.
- 100% inspection of final product.
- Post-grinding profile traces must be conducted at supplier on a random sampling of final product.

Prior to running any official Sequence IVA reference and candidate tests, “in-house” testing, using reference oil retains, was conducted to prove comparability of the test results. After successful in-house testing, reference tests were conducted. Following successful reference tests, candidate tests were conducted.

## Timeline

- December 2009: The lobe surfaces of camshafts from lot 080730 were found to be convex. An alternative measurement method (pre-test/post-test overlays) was developed. This measurement method was implemented on all reference and candidate tests that were conducted on convex lobe camshafts, and documented in all test reports that used this measurement method. This occurred from December 2009 through May 2010. SwRI contacted a camshaft manufacturer and learned of the regrinding process. SwRI also contacted OHT and solicited regrinding services from OHT and their camshaft manufacturing supplier. Two camshafts from lot 080730 were sent to OHT for regrinding.
- January 2010: Average Ra, Rsk, and Wt values were calculated from pre-2008 camshaft lots and were provided to OHT as surface finish specifications. A new, acceptable test camshaft was provided to OHT for the lobe profile to be reverse engineered from. The lobe surfaces of some camshafts from lot 2009 were found to be convex. The alternative measurement method (pre-test/post-test overlays) was implemented on all reference and candidate tests that were conducted on convex lobe camshafts from lot 2009, and documented in all test reports that used this measurement method. This occurred from January 2010 through February 2011. SwRI did not regrind any camshafts from lot 2009, since there was a mix of flat and convex lobe camshafts and SwRI wanted to first prove out the camshaft lobe regrinding with lot 080730.
- February 2010: Two reground camshafts from lot 080730 were returned to SwRI. The camshaft lobe surfaces were inspected and were found to be flat and within the indicated surface finish specifications. SwRI conducted an "in-house" test on RO 1007 retains to prove equivalence in the performance of the reground camshafts. ACW was measured to be 94.53 $\mu$ m. This was a passing RO 1007 result, 0.634 standard deviations severe of the 84.76 $\mu$ m target.
- March 2010: 39 camshafts from lot 080730 were sent to OHT for regrinding.
- May 2010: 38 camshafts from lot 080730 were successfully reground and returned to SwRI.
- June 2010: Initially, three reference tests were conducted consecutively on the reground camshafts from lot 080730 on Stand 78A (tests no. 78A-0-323, 323A, and 323B). The first two tests were on RO 1007 and the third test was on RO 1009. The ACW results were 109.22 $\mu$ m, 113.34 $\mu$ m, and 16.83 $\mu$ m. A total of six reference tests were conducted on Stand 78A with reground camshafts from lot 080730; only 78A-0-339 failed severe on RO 1007 (ACW = 122.30 $\mu$ m). All remaining reground camshafts from lot 080730 were used to conduct candidate tests during these reference periods. This occurred from June 2010 through October 2011.

NOTE: For RO 1007, mean = 84.76 $\mu$ m and standard deviation = 15.40 $\mu$ m  
For RO 1009, mean = 18.76 $\mu$ m and standard deviation = 7.05 $\mu$ m



January 2011: The lobe surfaces of some camshafts from lot NK9X230 were found to be convex. The alternative measurement method (pre-test/post-test overlays) was implemented on all reference and candidate tests that were conducted on convex lobe camshafts from lot NK9X230, and documented in all test reports that used this measurement method. This occurred from January 2011 through April 2012. SwRI did not regrind any camshafts from lot NK9X230, since there was a mix of flat and convex lobe camshafts.

October 2011: 230 camshafts, 185 from lot NK04120 and 45 from lot NK05190, were sent to OHT for regrinding. They were to be reground and returned to SwRI in two separate groups.

January 2012: 95 reground camshafts, 85 from lot NK04120 and 10 from lot NK05190, were returned to SwRI. Reference test 54-0-316 was conducted on a reground camshaft from lot NK04120 and on RO 1007, yielding an ACW result of 32.94 $\mu$ m (fail). The failing mild result was determined to be related to the test stand's driveline, not the reground camshaft, and the test was invalidated.

February 2012: Reference test 78A-0-377 was conducted on a reground camshaft from lot NK04120 and on RO 1007, yielding an ACW result of 52.53 $\mu$ m (fail). Reference test 78A-0-377A was conducted on a reground camshaft from lot NK04120 and on RO 1006-2, yielding an ACW result of 85.48 $\mu$ m (pass). A total of twelve reference tests were conducted on Stands 54, 78A and 79A with reground camshafts from lot NK04120. All remaining reground camshafts from lot NK04120 were used to conduct candidate tests during these reference periods. This occurred from February 2012 through January 2013. A few reground camshafts from lot NK04120 currently remain in SwRI's inventory.

NOTE: For RO 1006-2, mean = 100.18 $\mu$ m and standard deviation = 18.65 $\mu$ m

May 2012: 135 reground camshafts, 100 from lot NK04120 and 35 from lot NK05190 were returned to SwRI.

December 2012: Reference test 79A-0-500A was conducted on a reground camshaft from lot NK05190 and on RO 1006-2, yielding an ACW result of 82.28 $\mu$ m (pass). Reference test 78A-0-420 was conducted on a reground camshaft from lot NK05190 and on RO 1006-2, yielding an ACW result of 88.02 $\mu$ m (pass). Three candidate tests have been conducted on reground camshaft from lot NK05190 to-date.

NOTE: For RO 1006-2, mean = 103.39 $\mu$ m and standard deviation = 13.68 $\mu$ m

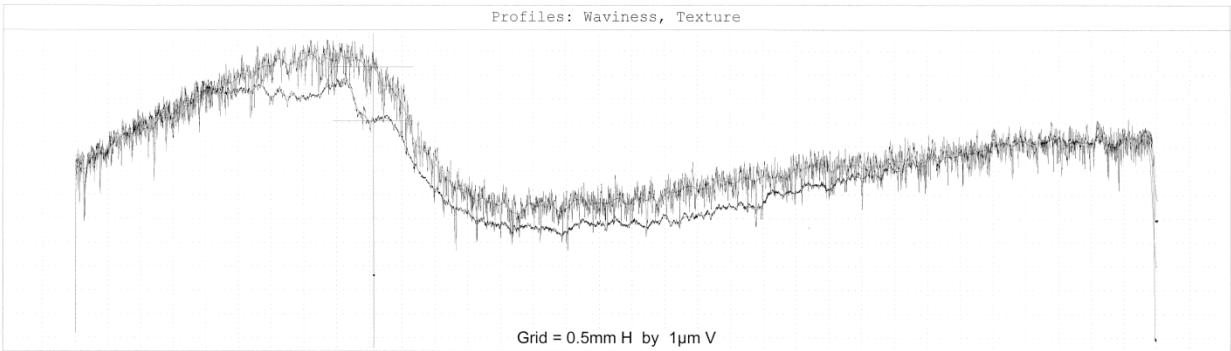
## **Number of Tests Conducted with Pre-Test/Post-Test Overlay Wear Measurement Method**

The number of reference and candidate oil tests conducted using the convex lobe surface camshafts (non-reground) and pre-test/post-test overlay wear measurements are shown in Table 2. These tests include camshafts from three camshaft lots; 080730, 2009 and NK9X230.

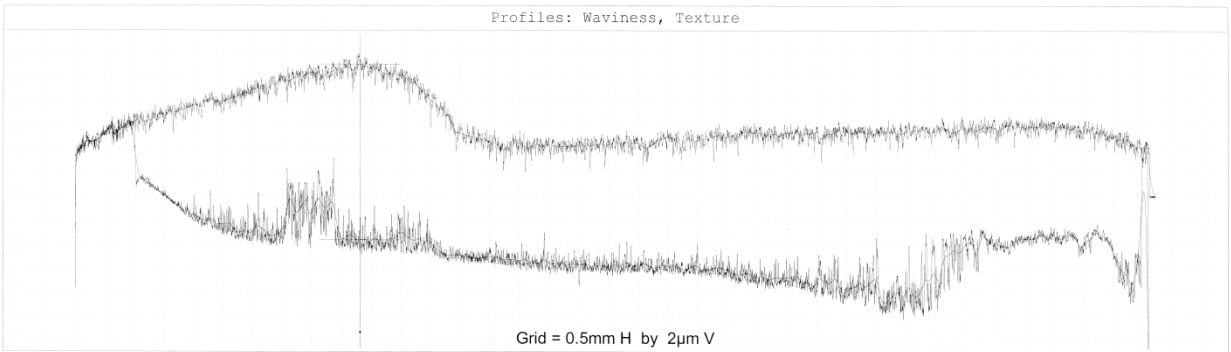
|                                 |     |
|---------------------------------|-----|
| Total Reference Oil Tests:      | 22  |
| Chartable Reference Tests:      | 13  |
| Acceptable Reference Tests:     | 12  |
| Non-Acceptable Reference Tests: | 1   |
| Successful Reference Periods    | 11  |
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| Total Candidate Oil Tests:      | 133 |
| ACC-Registered Tests:           | 58  |
| Passing                         | 30  |
| Failing                         | 28  |
| Invalid                         | 0   |

Table 2: Reference and Candidate Oil Tests Run Using Convex Lobe Surface Camshafts and Pre-Test/Post-Test Overlay Wear Measurements

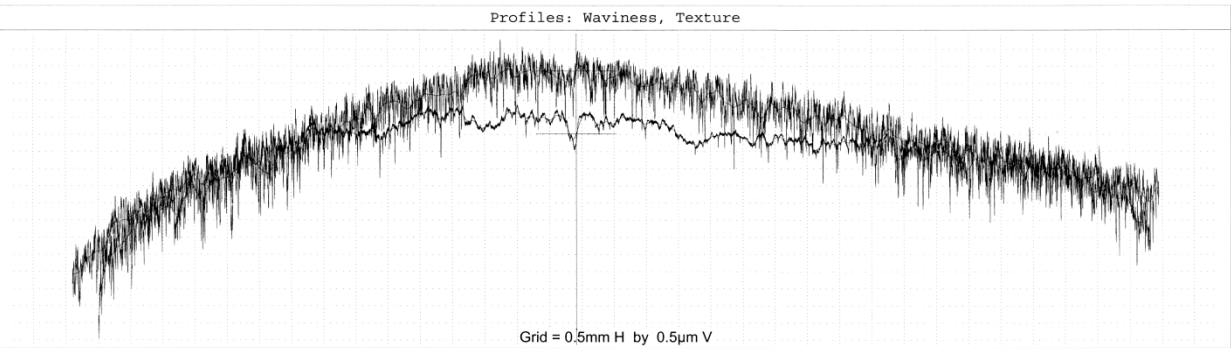
Examples of pre-test and post-test profile trace overlays for all three camshaft lots, 080730, 2009 and NK9X230, are shown in Figure 8. Low wear and high wear examples are included for each camshaft lot. The necessity for this measurement method is extremely evident in the low wear examples, and without it, a lab would measure the convexity instead of wear from the baseline.



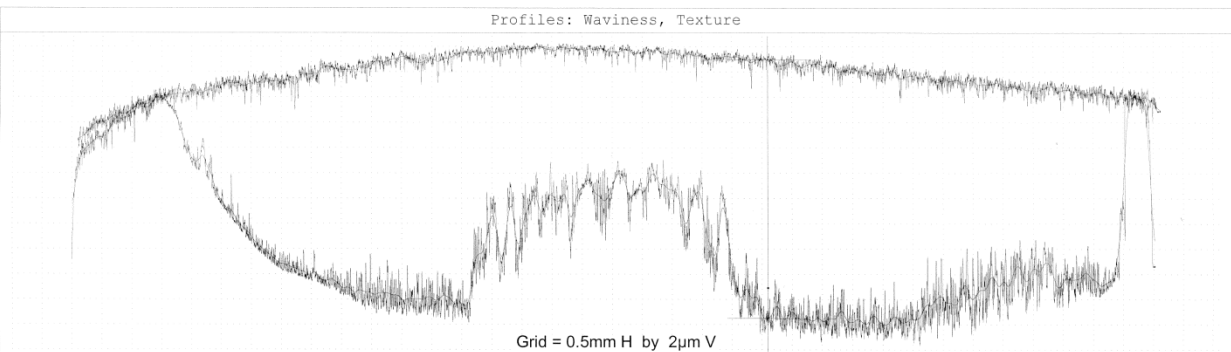
**(a) 080730 Low Wear**



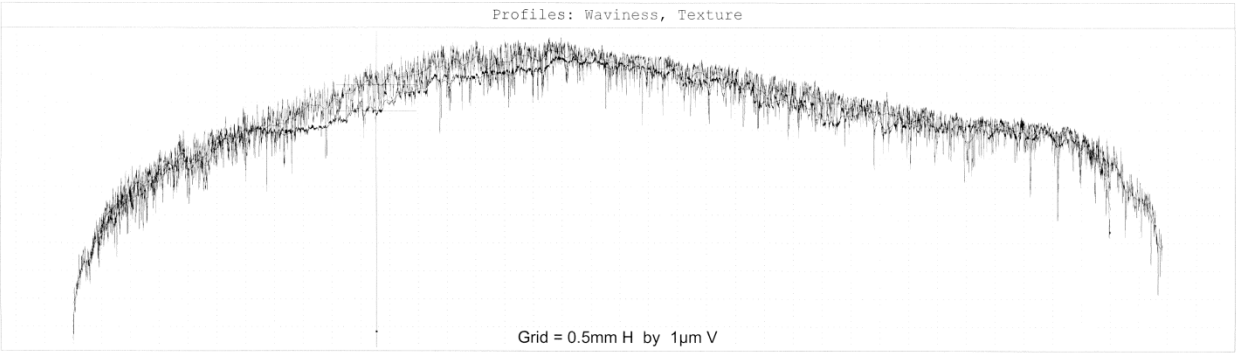
**(b) 080730 High Wear**



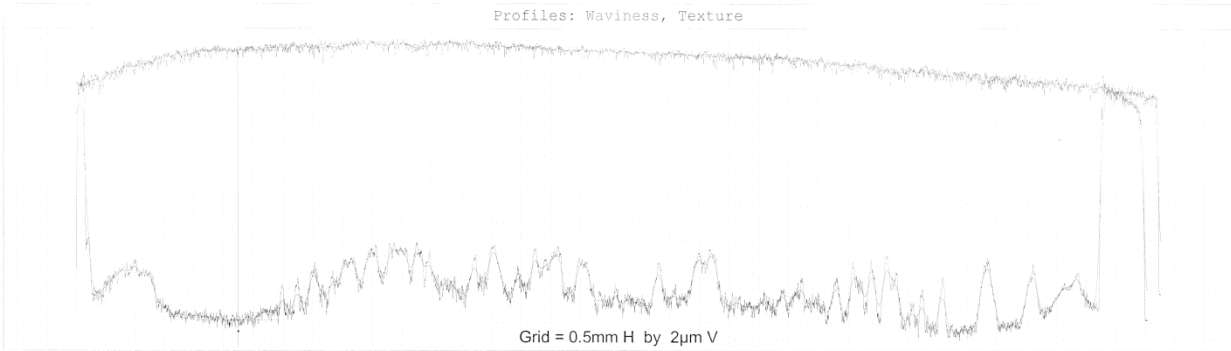
**(c) 2009 Low Wear**



**(d) 2009 High Wear**



(e) NK9X230 Low Wear



(f) NK9X230 High Wear

Figure 8: Examples of Low and High Wear Using Pre-Test and Post-Test Profile Trace Overlays for Camshaft Lots 080730 (a) & (b), 2009 (c) & (d), NK9X230 (e) & (f)

## **Number of Tests Conducted with Reground Camshafts**

The number of reference and candidate oil tests conducted using the reground camshafts are shown in Table 3. These tests include camshafts from three camshaft batches; 080730, NK04120 and NK05190.

|                                 |     |
|---------------------------------|-----|
| Total Reference Oil Tests:      | 33  |
| Chartable Reference Tests:      | 18  |
| Acceptable Reference Tests:     | 16  |
| Non-Acceptable Reference Tests: | 2   |
| Successful Reference Periods    | 15  |
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| Total Candidate Oil Tests:      | 167 |
| ACC-Registered Tests:           | 103 |
| Passing                         | 70  |
| Failing                         | 32  |
| Invalid                         | 1   |

Table 3: Reference and Candidate Oil Tests Run Using Reground Camshafts

## **Reground versus Non-reground ACC-Registered Candidate Data**

SwRI candidate data was reviewed in a time period from December 2009 to January 24, 2013. The total number of ACC-registered candidate tests conducted during this period is shown in Table 4. These tests include camshafts from five camshaft batches; 080730, 2009, NK9X230, NK04120 and NK05190.

|                       | <b>Reground</b> | <b>Non-reground</b> |
|-----------------------|-----------------|---------------------|
| ACC-Registered Tests: | 103             | 129                 |
| Passing               | 70              | 99                  |
| Failing               | 32              | 30                  |
| Invalid               | 1               | 0                   |

Table 4: Reground and Non-Reground ACC-Registered Candidate Oil Tests Run

The calculated pass percentages for this data set are as follows:

- Non-reground =  $99/129 = 77\%$
- Reground =  $70/102 = 69\%$
- All =  $169/231 = 73\%$

## Severity Comparison

SwRI conducted this severity comparison using reference oil test results from all chartable SwRI reference tests, starting in October 1999. This includes 127 tests, a well represented mix of camshafts with no lobe anomalies, camshafts with convex lobe surfaces that were not reground, but had pre-test/post-test overlay wear measurements, and reground camshafts.

The plot of ACW  $Y_i$  and ACW  $Z_i$  from reference test results vs. completion date is shown in Figure 9. Any test conducted with a reground camshaft is indicated with a circle around the square. This data indicates that the introduction of the reground camshafts did not shift the severity of the test.

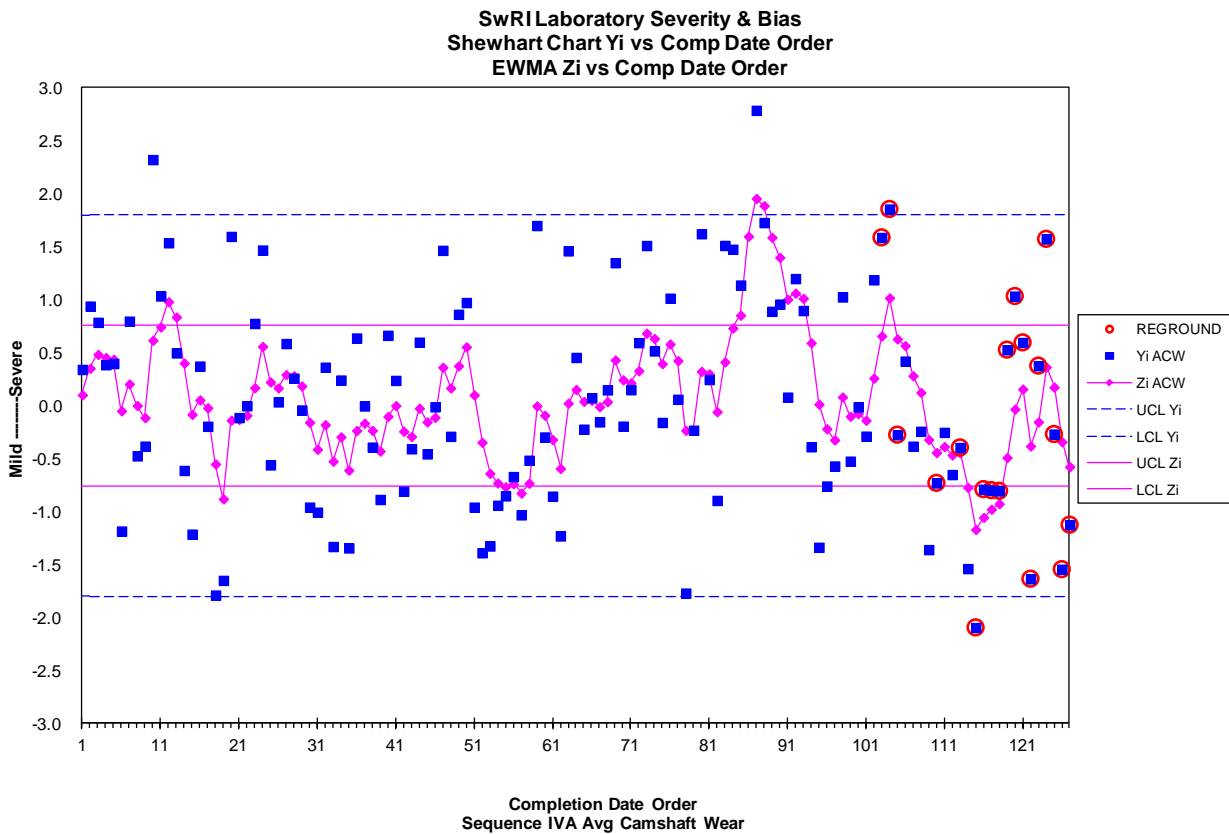


Figure 9: Plot of ACW  $Y_i$  and ACW  $Z_i$  for SwRI Reference Tests

The plot of ACW  $R_i$  and ACW  $Q_i$  from reference test results vs. completion date is shown in Figure 10. Any test conducted with a reground camshaft is indicated with a circle around the square. This data indicates that the introduction of the reground camshafts did not shift the precision of the test.

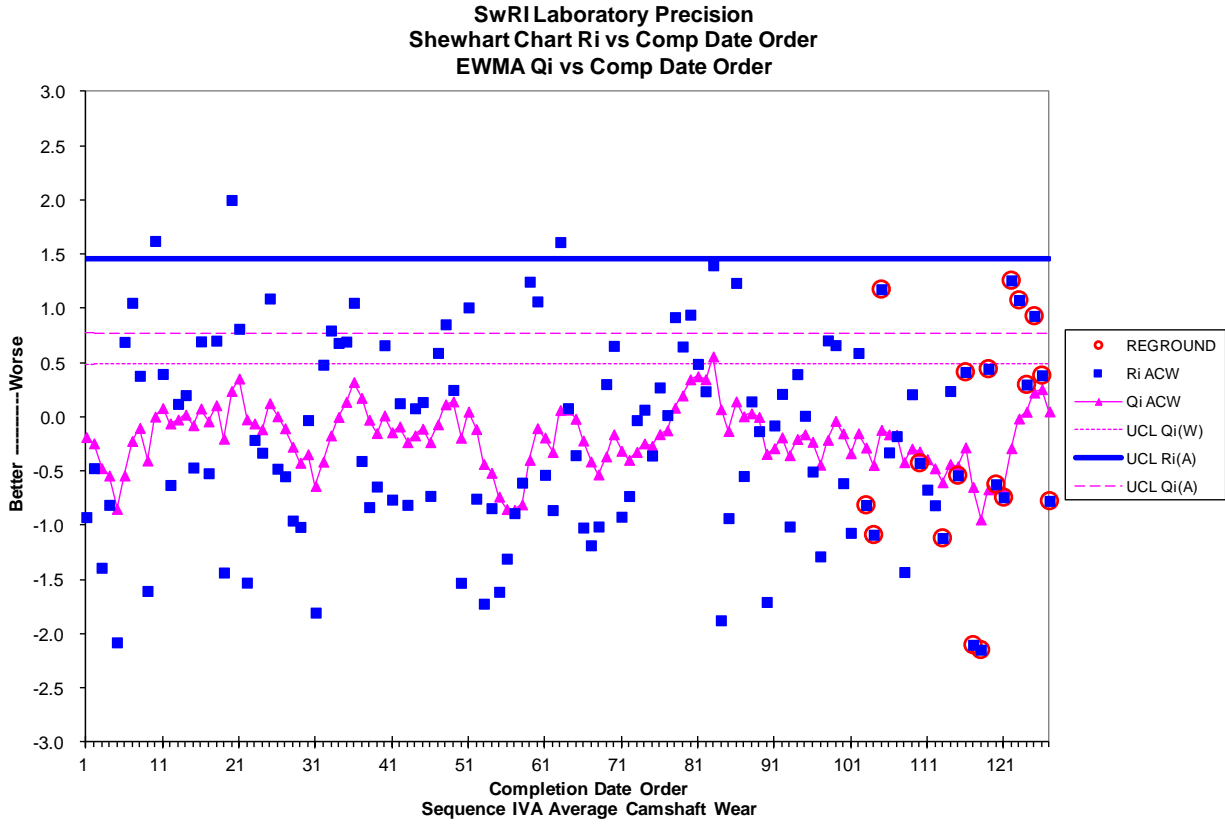


Figure 10: Plot of ACW  $R_i$  and ACW  $Q_i$  for SwRI Reference Tests

The plot of ACW  $Y_i$  for industry and SwRI reference test results from December 2009 through January 2013 is shown in Figure 11.

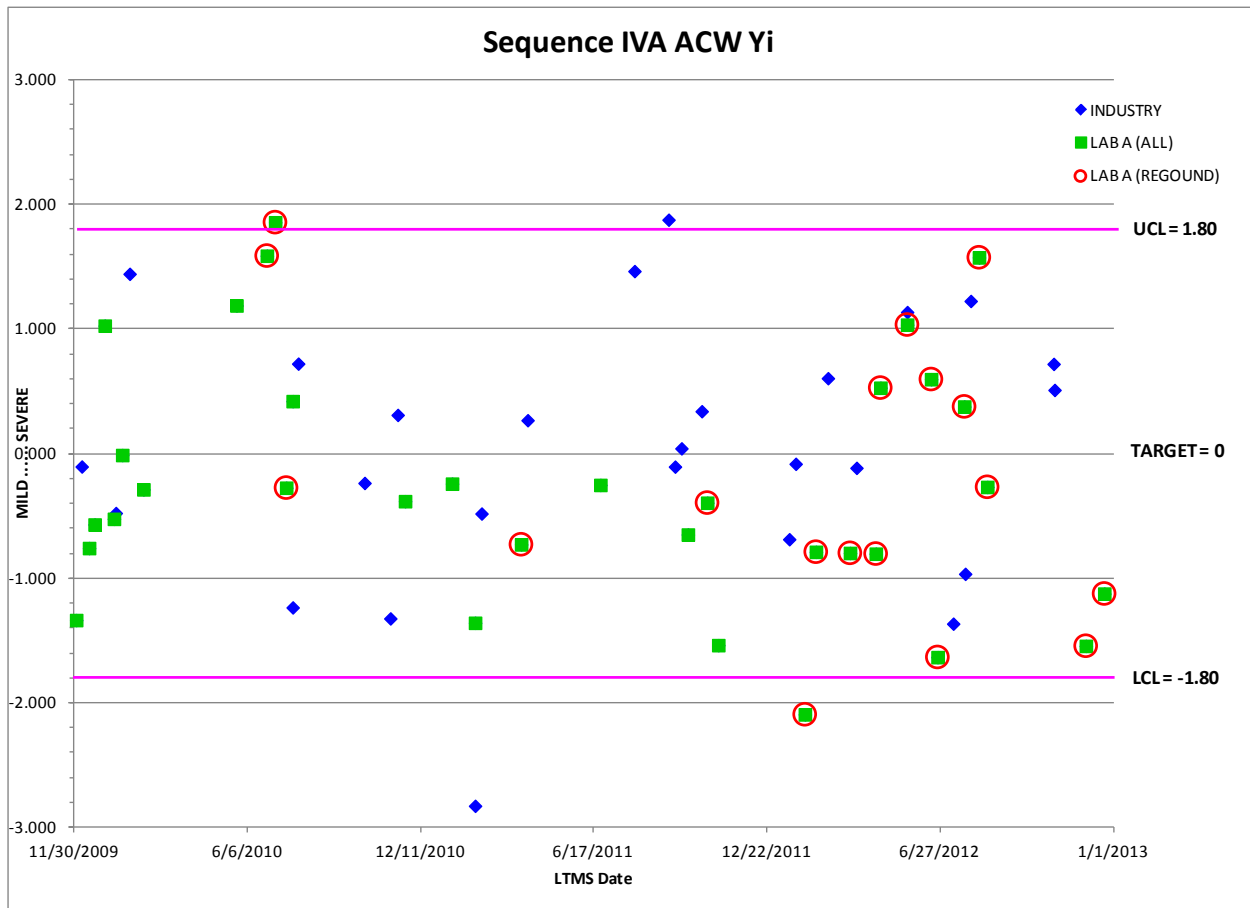


Figure 11: Plot of  $Y_i$  vs. Date of Industry and SwRI (Lab A) Reference Oil Tests

SwRI reference tests are indicated by the squares, and any test conducted with a reground camshaft is indicated with a circle around the square. Results from other labs within the industry are indicated by the diamonds. Note that the scatter for all data within this timeframe falls within similar boundaries. This data indicates that the regrinding had no impact on the reference oils performance.



The LTMS severity analysis plot of ACW  $Z_i$  for industry and SwRI reference test results from December 2009 through January 2013 is shown in Figure 12.

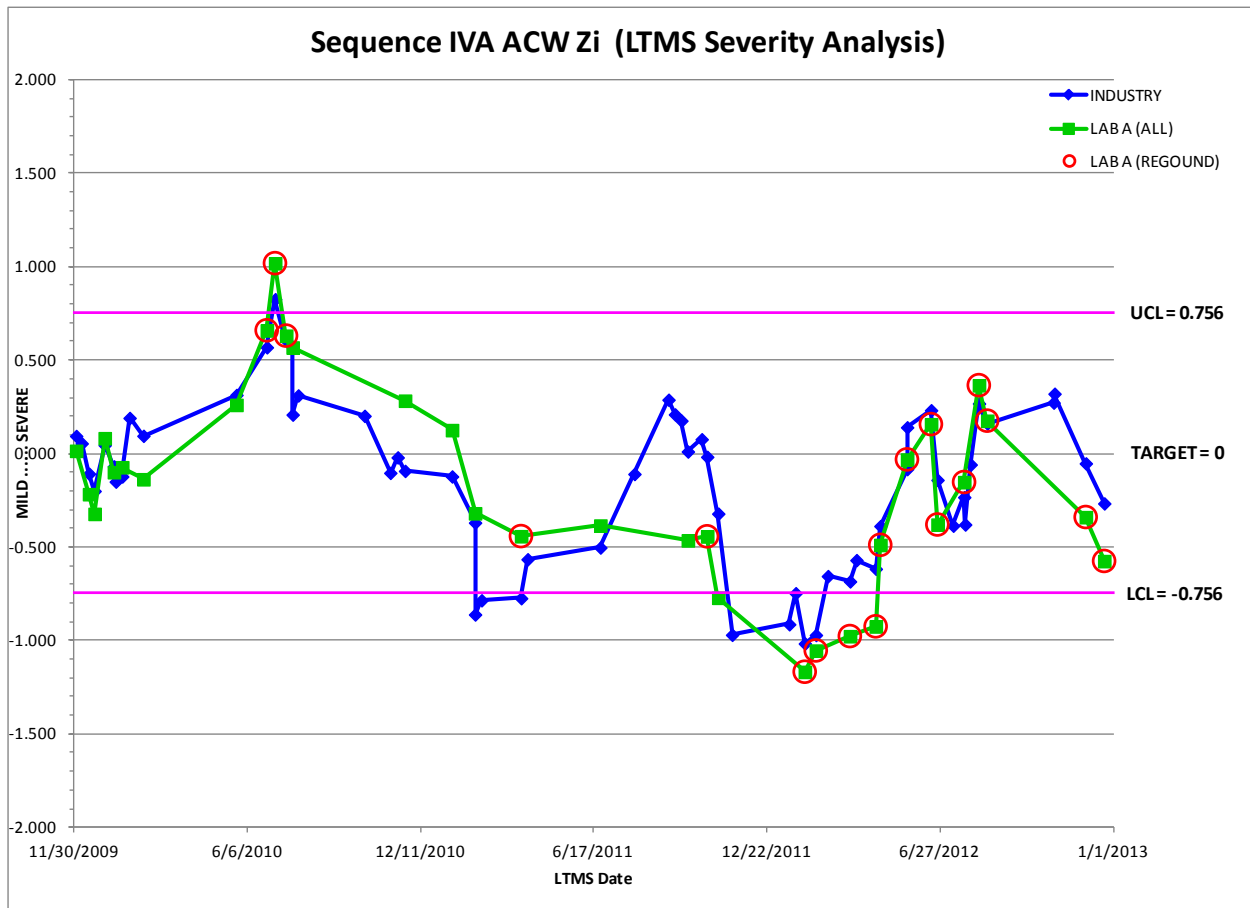


Figure 12: Plot of ACW  $Z_i$  vs. Date of Industry and SwRI (Lab A) Reference Oil Tests

SwRI's lab severity trend is indicated by the green line (any test conducted with a reground camshaft is indicated with a circle around the square). The industry's severity trend is indicated by the blue line. Note that the trends of SwRI's lab severity and the industry's severity, within this timeframe, follow similar patterns. This data indicates that the regrinding had no impact on severity trends.

The LTMS precision analysis plot of ACW  $Q_i$  for industry and SwRI reference test results from December 2009 through January 2013 is shown in Figure 13.

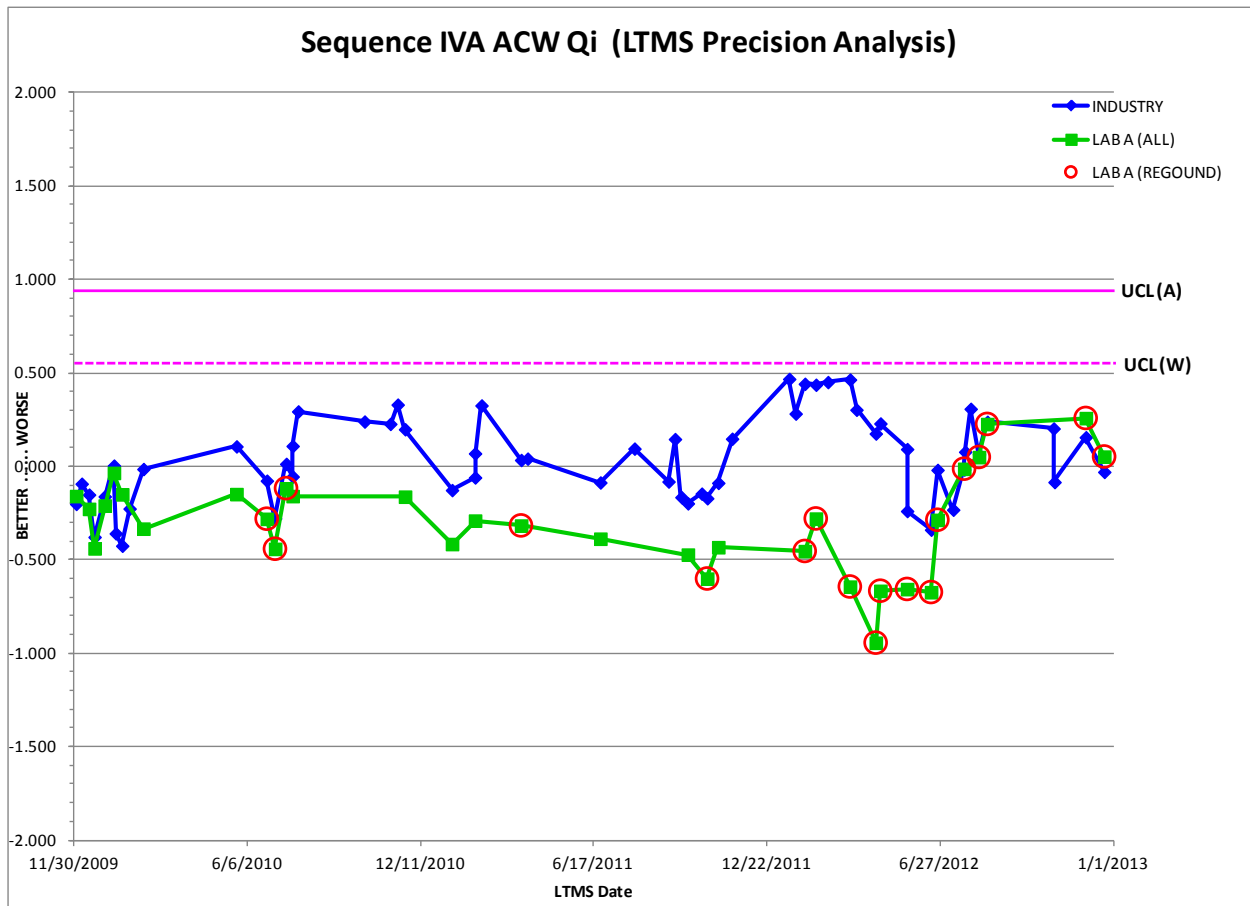


Figure 13: Plot of ACW  $Q_i$  vs. Date of Industry and SwRI (Lab A) Reference Oil Tests

SwRI's lab precision trend is indicated by the green line (any test conducted with a reground camshaft is indicated with a circle around the square). The industry's precision trend is indicated by the blue line. Note that the trends of SwRI's lab precision and the industry's precision, within this timeframe, follow similar patterns. This data indicates that the regrinding had no impact on precision trends.

## **Conclusions**

SwRI believes that regrinding camshafts that exhibit the convex lobe surface anomaly is necessary to produce accurate and repeatable ACW results, does not impact test severity when utilizing the standard wear measurement technique, and is necessary in order to sustain this test with the hardware currently in inventory at some laboratories and possibly the hardware that will be purchased by multiple test laboratories in the near future. The only alternative to regrinding camshafts that exhibit convex lobes is to attempt pre-test and post-test measurements using the overlay technique. Nissan cannot guarantee that future camshafts will not have the convex problem<sup>3</sup>. Camshafts that exhibit the convex lobe surface anomaly and are not measured using the overlay technique would produce mild test results resulting in either a lab's inability to successfully reference or a lab's potential to pass failing candidate oils.

At the time that the decisions were made to regrind camshafts, SwRI believed it was taking the proper technical approach to correct a fundamental problem with the Sequence IVA test hardware available to SwRI and to conduct proper Sequence IVA tests for calibration purposes and for SwRI clients. SwRI used an industry approved vendor to regrind the camshafts, SwRI proved the proper performance of the reground camshafts with official reference oil tests, SwRI introduced the reground camshafts from each lot with official reference oil tests and SwRI conducted the candidate oil tests with the same reground camshafts that SwRI referenced with. SwRI's interpretation of ASTM D6891 Sequence IVA test procedure is such that we did not violate the technical intent of the test procedure by incorporating the pre-test/post-test overlay wear measurement method or by restoring the camshaft lobes of the lots in question, to match those manufactured in 2008 and prior years, through regrinding. But in hindsight, SwRI recognizes that it did not follow proper ASTM protocol for implementing this technical approach.

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<sup>3</sup> Confirmed during February 4, 2013 meeting with Takumaru Sagawa of Nissan.

**APPENDIX A – Detailed Data**

| Measurement of convex lobe camshaft using standard measurement method |                 |             |                             |                             |                            |                               |                            |                             |                             |                          |              |
|---|-----------------|-------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------|
| Position  | Cylinder        | Lobe Number | 14° BTC Wear, $\mu\text{m}$ | 10° BTC Wear, $\mu\text{m}$ | 4° BTC Wear, $\mu\text{m}$ | 0° (Nose) Wear, $\mu\text{m}$ | 4° ATC Wear, $\mu\text{m}$ | 10° ATC Wear, $\mu\text{m}$ | 14° ATC Wear, $\mu\text{m}$ | Lobe Wear, $\mu\text{m}$ |              |
| Intake  | 1               | 1           | 11.49                       | 12.27                       | 14.07                      | 18.16                         | 18.99                      | 14.47                       | 11.00                       | 100.45                   |              |
|   |                 | 3           | 7.63                        | 9.54                        | 10.22                      | 12.28                         | 11.45                      | 9.73                        | 4.22                        | 65.07                    |              |
|   | 2               | 4           | 5.43                        | 5.60                        | 4.72                       | 4.68                          | 4.21                       | 4.31                        | 3.52                        | 32.47                    |              |
|   |                 | 6           | 7.45                        | 10.07                       | 10.74                      | 11.63                         | 11.98                      | 11.86                       | 2.00                        | 65.73                    |              |
|   | 3               | 7           | 11.63                       | 12.11                       | 14.06                      | 17.54                         | 18.54                      | 14.21                       | 11.17                       | 99.26                    |              |
|   |                 | 9           | 5.19                        | 9.84                        | 12.13                      | 13.77                         | 12.58                      | 7.18                        | 1.64                        | 62.33                    |              |
|   | 4               | 10          | 10.72                       | 10.42                       | 14.50                      | 17.76                         | 16.20                      | 16.54                       | 6.66                        | 92.80                    |              |
|   |                 | 12          | 9.59                        | 12.85                       | 9.67                       | 12.08                         | 9.15                       | 6.89                        | 3.79                        | 64.02                    |              |
|   | Max of Intake   |             |                             | 11.63                       | 12.85                      | 14.50                         | 18.16                      | 18.99                       | 16.54                       | 11.17                    | 100.45       |
| Avg. of Intake  |                 |             | <b>8.64</b>                 | <b>10.34</b>                | <b>11.26</b>               | <b>13.49</b>                  | <b>12.89</b>               | <b>10.65</b>                | <b>5.50</b>                 | <b>72.77</b>             |              |
| Exhaust   | 1               | 2           | 1.14                        | 8.86                        | 7.36                       | 6.7                           | 6.81                       | 3.7                         | 2.52                        | 37.09                    |              |
|   | 2               | 5           | 17.19                       | 17.83                       | 15.18                      | 17.61                         | 13.76                      | 13.13                       | 12.02                       | 106.72                   |              |
|   | 3               | 8           | 9.56                        | 12.95                       | 15.54                      | 12.97                         | 10.43                      | 7.06                        | 4.84                        | 73.35                    |              |
|   | 4               | 11          | 5.2                         | 6.11                        | 7.1                        | 10.23                         | 10.06                      | 8.7                         | 8.03                        | 55.43                    |              |
|   | Max of Exhaust  |             |                             | 17.19                       | 17.83                      | 15.54                         | 17.61                      | 13.76                       | 13.13                       | 12.02                    | 106.72       |
|   | Avg. of Exhaust |             |                             | <b>8.27</b>                 | <b>11.44</b>               | <b>11.30</b>                  | <b>11.88</b>               | <b>10.26</b>                | <b>8.15</b>                 | <b>6.85</b>              | <b>68.15</b> |
| Over-all Maximum  |                 |             | 17.19                       | 17.83                       | 15.54                      | 18.16                         | 18.99                      | 16.54                       | 12.02                       | 106.72                   |              |
| Over-all Average  |                 |             | <b>8.52</b>                 | <b>10.70</b>                | <b>11.27</b>               | <b>12.95</b>                  | <b>12.01</b>               | <b>9.82</b>                 | <b>5.95</b>                 | <b>71.23</b>             |              |

| Measurement of convex lobe camshaft using overlay measurement method |                 |             |                             |                             |                            |                               |                            |                             |                             |                          |              |
|--|-----------------|-------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------|
| Position   | Cylinder        | Lobe Number | 14° BTC Wear, $\mu\text{m}$ | 10° BTC Wear, $\mu\text{m}$ | 4° BTC Wear, $\mu\text{m}$ | 0° (Nose) Wear, $\mu\text{m}$ | 4° ATC Wear, $\mu\text{m}$ | 10° ATC Wear, $\mu\text{m}$ | 14° ATC Wear, $\mu\text{m}$ | Lobe Wear, $\mu\text{m}$ |              |
| Intake   | 1               | 1           | 11.98                       | 12.72                       | 14.52                      | 19.09                         | 19.51                      | 15.38                       | 11.21                       | 104.41                   |              |
|  |                 | 3           | 8.18                        | 11.34                       | 12.17                      | 14.09                         | 12.64                      | 10.21                       | 3.68                        | 72.31                    |              |
|  | 2               | 4           | 9.37                        | 9.43                        | 8.18                       | 7.61                          | 6.23                       | 5.96                        | 12.10                       | 58.88                    |              |
|  |                 | 6           | 8.60                        | 11.76                       | 12.47                      | 13.31                         | 13.13                      | 13.35                       | 1.80                        | 74.42                    |              |
|  | 3               | 7           | 11.90                       | 12.58                       | 14.07                      | 18.21                         | 18.98                      | 14.98                       | 11.28                       | 102.00                   |              |
|  |                 | 9           | 7.27                        | 12.24                       | 14.00                      | 15.19                         | 13.71                      | 8.30                        | 1.57                        | 72.28                    |              |
|  | 4               | 10          | 12.37                       | 11.68                       | 14.48                      | 17.87                         | 16.38                      | 17.92                       | 6.65                        | 97.35                    |              |
|  |                 | 12          | 12.25                       | 14.68                       | 10.84                      | 12.77                         | 10.32                      | 8.36                        | 1.08                        | 70.30                    |              |
|  | Max of Intake   |             |                             | 12.37                       | 14.68                      | 14.52                         | 19.09                      | 19.51                       | 17.92                       | 12.10                    | 104.41       |
| Avg. of Intake   |                 |             | <b>10.24</b>                | <b>12.05</b>                | <b>12.59</b>               | <b>14.77</b>                  | <b>13.86</b>               | <b>11.81</b>                | <b>6.17</b>                 | <b>81.49</b>             |              |
| Exhaust  | 1               | 2           | 1.30                        | 10.63                       | 10.32                      | 9.33                          | 7.29                       | 4.21                        | 2.68                        | 45.76                    |              |
|  | 2               | 5           | 21.60                       | 21.87                       | 19.38                      | 21.77                         | 17.00                      | 15.01                       | 13.87                       | 130.50                   |              |
|  | 3               | 8           | 10.98                       | 15.01                       | 16.81                      | 15.07                         | 11.21                      | 7.19                        | 5.99                        | 82.26                    |              |
|  | 4               | 11          | 9.12                        | 7.72                        | 7.42                       | 9.10                          | 8.99                       | 9.29                        | 8.59                        | 60.23                    |              |
|  | Max of Exhaust  |             |                             | 21.6                        | 21.87                      | 19.38                         | 21.77                      | 17                          | 15.01                       | 13.87                    | 130.5        |
|  | Avg. of Exhaust |             |                             | <b>10.75</b>                | <b>13.81</b>               | <b>13.48</b>                  | <b>13.82</b>               | <b>11.12</b>                | <b>8.92</b>                 | <b>7.78</b>              | <b>79.69</b> |
| Over-all Maximum   |                 |             | 21.60                       | 21.87                       | 19.38                      | 21.77                         | 19.51                      | 17.92                       | 13.87                       | 130.50                   |              |
| Over-all Average   |                 |             | <b>10.41</b>                | <b>12.64</b>                | <b>12.89</b>               | <b>14.45</b>                  | <b>12.95</b>               | <b>10.85</b>                | <b>6.71</b>                 | <b>80.89</b>             |              |

Table 1: Detailed Measurements of a Camshaft With Convex Lobes Using Standard Measurement Method and Overlay Measurement Method

# Sequence IVA

## Test Hardware Report

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# Test Hardware Report

- Hardware Status:
  - All previous Nissan hardware orders have been completed
  - Industry currently using mixture of 2007 and 2009 test kits
  - Test hardware NOT secured through 2016
  - Usage rates in 2010, 2011 and 2012 have been much higher than projected when the final hardware order was placed back in 2009
    - Candidate testing doubled in last 6 months (N = 99 vs. 53)



# Test Hardware Report

- Hardware Status:
  - Based on estimated usage rates and quantities currently on-hand at the laboratories, some labs will deplete hardware by late 2013 and industry will deplete hardware by mid 2014

| Lab                              | A         | B        | C   | F         |
|----------------------------------|-----------|----------|-----|-----------|
| Estimated Hardware Depletion     | Late 2013 | Mid 2014 | N/A | Late 2013 |
| Estimated Additional Runs Needed | 352       | 148      | N/A | 70        |

- Estimate hardware needed for  $\approx 550 - 600$  tests to be secured through 2016



# Test Hardware Report

- Hardware Status:
  - SP chair has been in communication with Nissan discussing another Sequence IVA hardware solicitation to be offered to the ASTM test labs
  - Nissan indicated that the Sequence IVA Test Kit, p/n 13000-40F85 (camshafts, rocker arms, rocker shafts, oil filters, spark plugs), Engine Valve Regrind Kit p/n A1042-10C2K (gasket kit) and Assembled Cylinder Head p/n A1040-40F85 are out of production, but individual alternative components are available



# Test Hardware Report

| SPPS                                  | Parts number | Name                       | Availability          |                  |     |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|-----|
| 96-1332                               | 13000 40F85  | Test Kit                   | NO                    |                  |     |
| Composition of "Test kit 13000 40F85" |              |                            |                       |                  |     |
|                                       | Parts number | Parts name                 | Original parts number | Alternative part | QTY |
|                                       | A3020 40P01  | A302040P01 CAM SHAFT ASSY  | 13020 40F01           |                  | 1   |
|                                       | 13252 40F10  | 1325240F10 SHAFT ROCKER    | 13252 40F10           | 13252 40F1A      | 1   |
|                                       | 13245 40F10  | 1324540F10 SHAFT ROCKER    | 13245 40F10           | 13245 40F1A      | 1   |
|                                       | A3257 40F06  | A325740F06 ROCKER VALVE    | 13257 40F06           |                  | 4   |
|                                       | A3257 40F07  | A325740F07 ROCKER VALVE    | 13257 40F07           |                  | 4   |
|                                       | A3257 40F16  | A325740F16 ROCKER VALVE    | 13257 40F16           |                  | 2   |
|                                       | A3257 40F17  | A325740F17 ROCKER VALVE    | 13257 40F17           |                  | 2   |
|                                       | 15208 H8904  | 15208H8904 FILTER ASSY OIL | 15208 H8904           | 15208 H890C      | 3   |
|                                       | 22401 30R15  | 2240130R15 PLUG SPARK      | 22401 30R15           |                  | 4   |



# Test Hardware Report

| SPPS                                    | Parts number | Name              | Availability          |                   |              |             |     |   |
|---|--------------|-------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|--------------|-------------|-----|---|
| 07-1123                                 | A1042 10C2K  | Gasket Kit        | OK                    |                   |              |             |     |   |
| Composition of "Gasket kit A1042 10C2K" |              |                   |                       |                   |              |             |     |   |
|   | Parts number | Parts name        | Original parts number | Alternative parts |              |             | QTY |   |
|   | 11044 40F 00 | GSKT-CYL HEAD     | 11044 40F 00          | 1104440F 00       | 11044 40F 10 | 1104440F 10 |     | 1 |
|   | 13207 D 0111 | SEAL-OIL, VALVE   | 13207 D 0111          | 13207D 0111       | 13207 53F 00 | 1320753F 00 |     | 2 |
|   | 13207 42L 00 | SEAL-OIL, VALVE   | 13207 42L 00          | 1320742L 00       |              |             |     | 1 |
|   | 13270 F 4000 | GSKT-ROCKER COVER | 13270 F 4000          | 13270F 4000       |              |             |     | 1 |
|   | 14035 40F 10 | GSKT MANIFOLD     | 14035 40F 10          | 1403540F 10       |              |             |     | 1 |
|   | 14036 40F 00 | GSKT-EXH MAINF    | 14036 40F 00          | 1403640F 00       |              |             |     | 2 |



# Test Hardware Report

| SPPS                                   | Parts number | Name                     | Availability                            |                   |     |
|--|--------------|--------------------------|---|-------------------|-----|
| 97-0736                                | A1040 40F80  | Head Assy                | NO                                      |                   |     |
| Composition of "Head assy A1040 40F80" |              |                          |   |                   |     |
|  | Parts number | Parts name               | Original parts number                   | Alternative parts | QTY |
|  | A1040 40F11  | HEAD ASSY                | A1040 40F11                             | 11040 40F11       | 1   |
|  | 13201 40F00  | VALVE-INT                | 13201 40F00                             |                   | 8   |
|  | 13202 40F01  | VALVE-EXH                | 13202 40F01                             |                   | 4   |
|  | 13205 40F00  | SEAT VALVE SPRING, OUTER | 13205 40F00                             |                   | 8   |
|  | 13205 40F10  | SEAT VALVE SPRING, OUTER | 13205 40F10                             | 13205 40F1A       | 4   |
|  | 13206 40F01  | SEAT VALVE SPRING, INNER | 13206 40F01                             | 13206 40F0A       | 8   |
|  | 13206 40F10  | SEAT VALVE SPRING, INNER | 13206 40F10                             | 13206 40F1A       | 4   |
|  | 13209 40F00  | RET-VALVE, SPR           | 13209 40F00                             |                   | 8   |
|  | 13209 40F10  | RET-VALVE, SPR           | 13209 40F10                             |                   | 4   |
|  | 13210 40F00  | COLLET-VALVE, SPR        | 13210 40F00                             |                   | 24  |
|  | 13211 40F01  | SPRING SET-VALVE, INT    | 13211 40F01 = 13203 40F01 + 13204 40F01 |                   | 8   |
|  |              | SPRING -VALVE, INT       | 13203 40F01                             |                   | 8   |
|  |              | SPRING -VALVE, INT       | 13204 40F01                             |                   | 8   |
|  | 13211 40F11  | SPRING SET-VALVE, EXH    | 13211 40F11 = 13203 40F11 + 13204 40F11 |                   | 4   |
|  |              | SPRING -VALVE, EXH       | 13203 40F11                             |                   | 4   |
|  |              | SPRING -VALVE, EXH       | 13204 40F11                             |                   | 4   |
|  | 13207 53F00  | SEAL-LIP, INT VALVE      | 13207 53F00                             | 13207 D0111       | 8   |
|  | 13207 40F00  | SEAL-LIP, EXH VALVE      | 13207 40F00                             | 13207 42L00       | 4   |



# Test Hardware Report

- Hardware Status:
  - Nissan indicated that individual components listed in the previous slides can be made available in the quantities required, as indicated by the ASTM test labs
  - Nissan is working on pricing and timing
  - Takumaru Sagawa of Nissan Japan will be meeting with the SP chair on Monday, 2/4/13, to further discuss Sequence IVA hardware supply



# Test Hardware Report

- Other Hardware Concerns:
  - Oil coolers
  - Distributors
  - Wiring harnesses
  - ECUs
  - Other?



# Test Hardware Report

- Severity of Remaining Camshaft Batches:
  - 070917A, referenced, 0.9 std. dev. severe
  - 080610, referenced, 0.5 std. dev. mild
  - 2009, referenced, 0.1 std. dev. severe
  - NK9X230, referenced, 1.2 std. dev. mild
  - NK04120, referenced, 0.2 std. dev. mild
  - NK05190, referenced, 1.3 std. dev. mild
  - NK05110, not referenced, 4.3 std. dev. Mild
    - 1 result, 1 lab
  - NK9Y100, not referenced, 2.9 std. dev. Mild
    - 3 results, 1 lab



# Test Hardware Report

| Camshaft Batch | Lab A    | Lab B | Lab C | Lab F |
|----------------|----------|-------|-------|-------|
| 070917A        |          | X     |       | X     |
| 080610         | Depleted |       | X     |       |
| 2009           | Depleted | X     |       |       |
| NK9X230        | X        |       |       |       |
| NK04120        | X        | X     |       |       |
| NK05190        | X        | X     |       |       |
| NK05110        | X        |       |       |       |
| NK9Y100        | X        |       |       |       |







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# ***Test Monitoring Center***

Attachment 6

<http://astmtmc.cmu.edu>

## **Sequence IVA 1006-2 Results**

**Sequence IV Surveillance Panel**

**January 24, 2013**

# Summary of Results

- 25 tests reported from three labs
- Little change in mean and standard deviation.
- Mean (n = 15) 103.68 Updated 103.16
- s (n = 15) 13.68 Updated 13.75
- Summary in next few slides

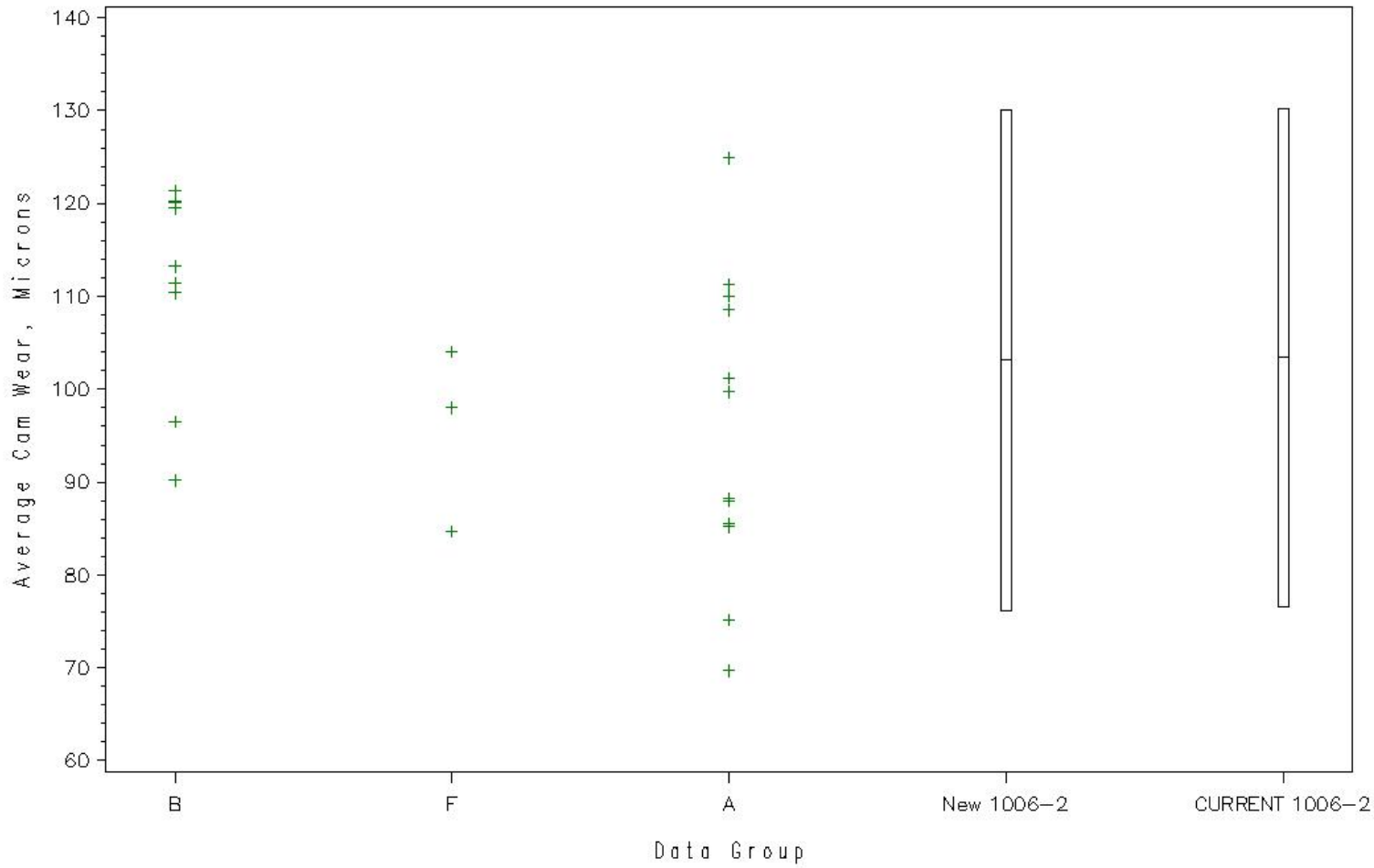
# Summary of Results

| <u>TESTKEY</u> | <u>LTMSL</u> | <u>LTMSDAT</u> | <u>IND</u> | <u>VAL</u> | <u>ACW</u> | <u>SA</u> | Severity      |
|----------------|--------------|----------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|---------------|
|                | <u>AB</u>    | <u>E</u>       |            |            |            |           | Adjusted      |
|                |              |                |            |            |            |           | <u>Result</u> |
| 80991          | B            | 20110809       | 1006-2     | AG         | 120.24     | 0         | 120.24        |
| 84235          | F            | 20111002       | 1006-2     | AG         | 104.06     | 0         | 104.06        |
| 78808          | A            | 20111009       | 1006-2     | AG         | 101.24     | 0         | 101.24        |
| 84565          | A            | 20111110       | 1006-2     | AG         | 75.19      | 9.65      | 84.84         |
| 86108          | B1           | 20120208       | 1006-2     | AG         | 96.55      | 0         | 96.55         |
| 85064          | A            | 20120213       | 1006-2     | AC         | 85.48      | 16.567    | 102.047       |
| 86679          | B1           | 20120226       | 1006-2     | AC         | 111.47     | 0         | 111.47        |
| 86688          | A            | 20120321       | 1006-2     | AC         | 85.31      | 15.357    | 100.667       |
| 84326          | F            | 20120328       | 1006-2     | AC         | 98.05      | 0         | 98.05         |
| 86689          | A            | 20120418       | 1006-2     | AC         | 85.2       | 14.538    | 99.738        |
| 86690          | A            | 20120423       | 1006-2     | AC         | 110.04     | 0         | 110.04        |
| 87577          | A            | 20120522       | 1006-2     | AC         | 119.48     | 0         | 119.48        |
| 86680          | B1           | 20120522       | 1006-2     | AC         | 121.37     | 0         | 121.37        |
| 87578          | A            | 20120616       | 1006-2     | AC         | 111.32     | 0         | 111.32        |
| 87579          | A            | 20120624       | 1006-2     | AC         | 69.72      | 0         | 69.72         |
| 86868          | F            | 20120711       | 1006-2     | AC         | 84.72      | 0         | 84.72         |
| 88335          | A            | 20120723       | 1006-2     | AC         | 108.56     | 0         | 108.56        |
| 86871          | B1           | 20120724       | 1006-2     | AC         | 90.19      | 0         | 90.19         |
| 86682          | B1           | 20120730       | 1006-2     | AC         | 120.15     | 0         | 120.15        |
| 88336          | A            | 20120808       | 1006-2     | AC         | 124.93     | 0         | 124.93        |
| 88337          | A            | 20120817       | 1006-2     | AC         | 99.73      | 0         | 99.73         |
| 88807          | B1           | 20121028       | 1006-2     | AC         | 113.24     | 0         | 113.24        |
| 88806          | B1           | 20121029       | 1006-2     | AC         | 110.38     | 0         | 110.38        |
| 89508          | A            | 20121202       | 1006-2     | AC         | 88.28      | 0         | 88.28         |
| 91518          | A            | 20121222       | 1006-2     | AC         | 88.02      | 0         | 88.02         |

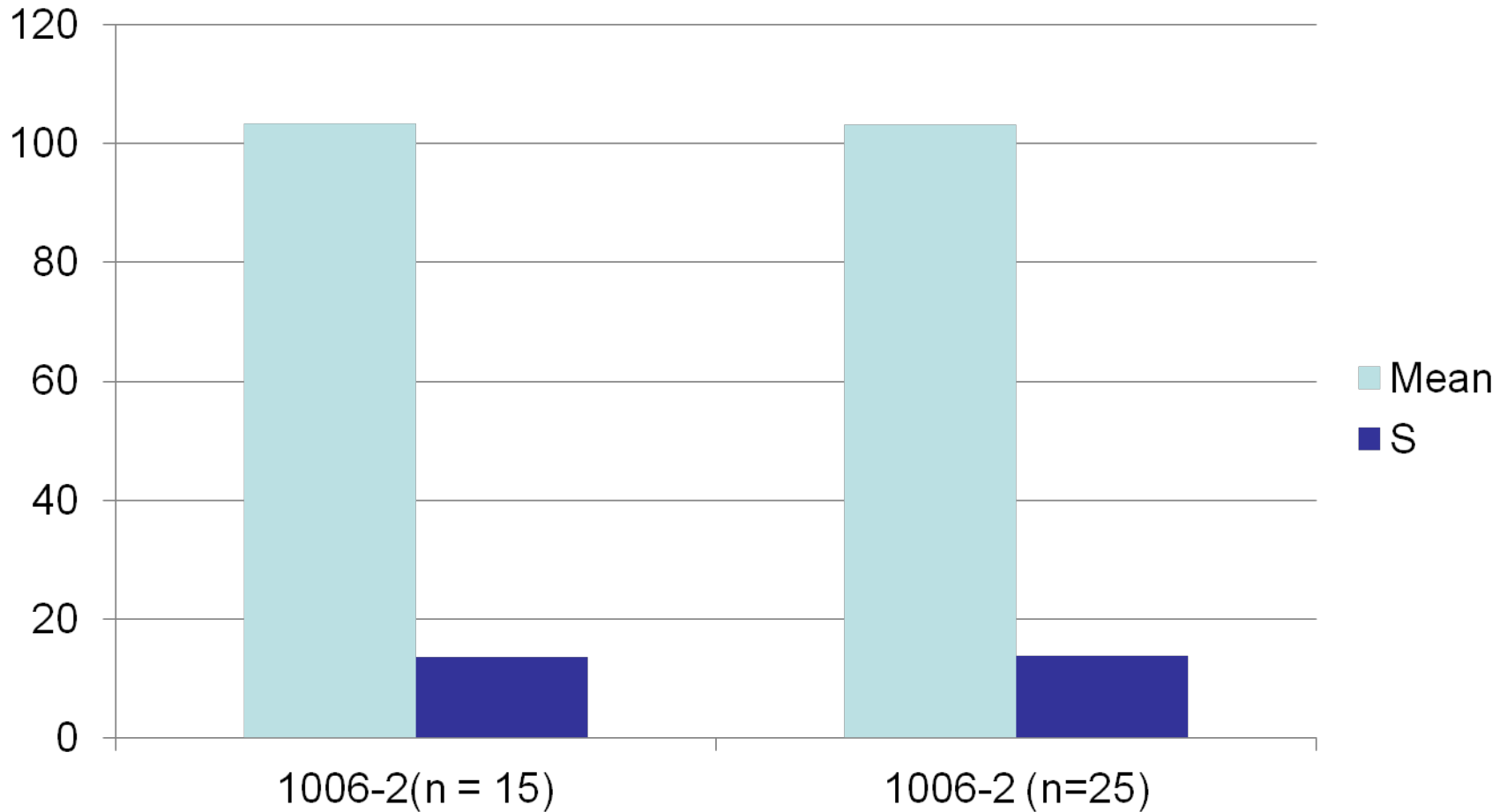
Figure 1

# Sequence IVA (Reference Oil 1006-2) Test Target Data Set and Shewart Severity Limits

Average Cam Wear, Microns



# Summary of Targets





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# **DRIVELINE EFFECTS ON DYNAMIC TORSIONAL VIBRATION ON SEQUENCE IVA ENGINE STAND**

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January 24, 2013

# Background

## Sequence IVA Test Severity Issues

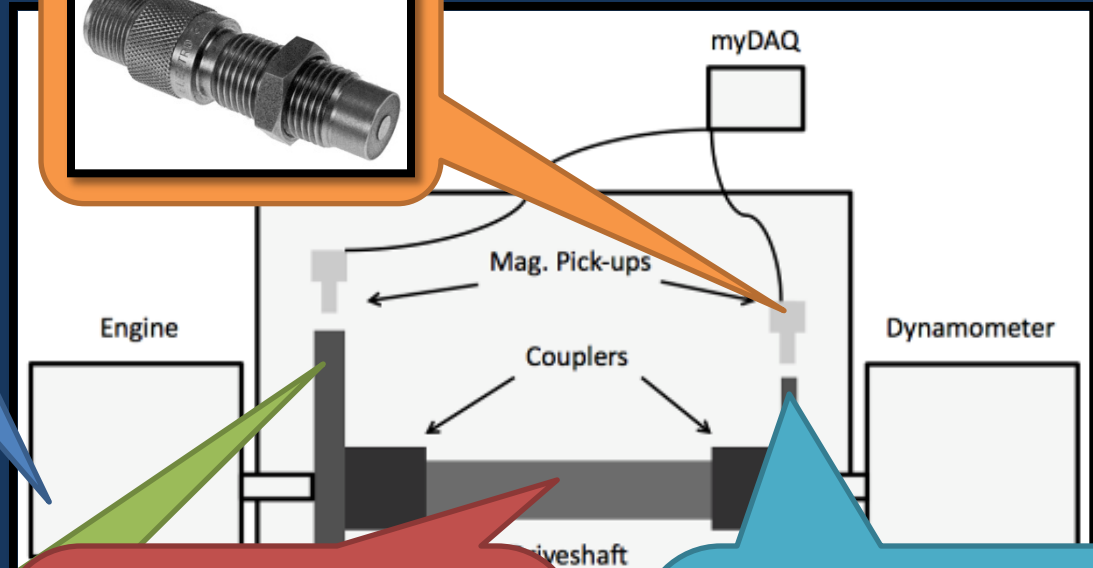
- Engine lubricant testing labs unable to discriminate between a severe wear lubricant and a mild wear lubricant
- Unable to produce severe wear on cam lobes
- Severity Task Force formed in 2008-2009



# Hypothesis

- Demonstration showed different driveline configurations allowed labs to regain discrimination in cam lobe wear
- Driveline of different stiffness changed the torsional vibration dynamics of the test stand
- Torsional vibration dynamics have a direct effect on cam lobe wear

# Experimental Setup



# Measuring Driveshaft Twist

Flywheel



120 teeth  
0.0524 rad/tooth

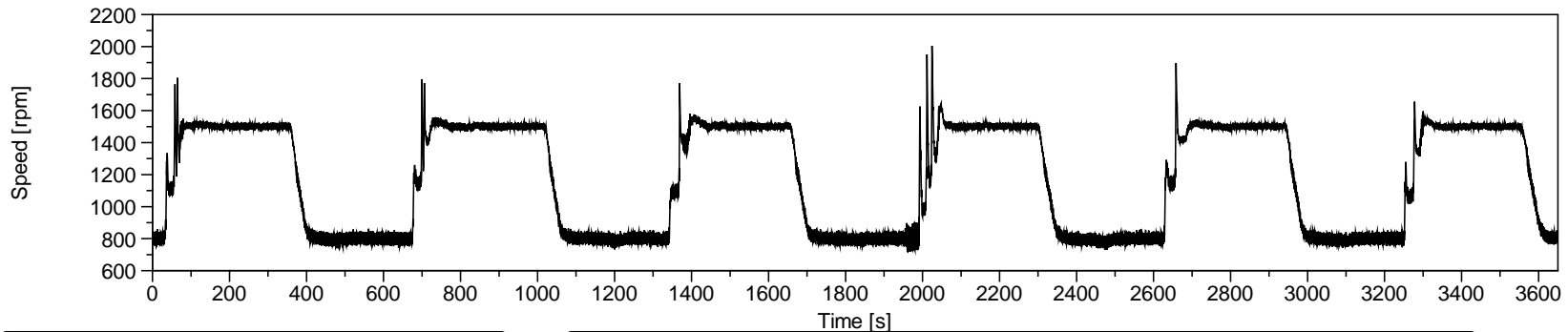
Dyno-Side Gear



160 teeth  
0.0393 rad/tooth

# Calculating Shaft Wind-Up

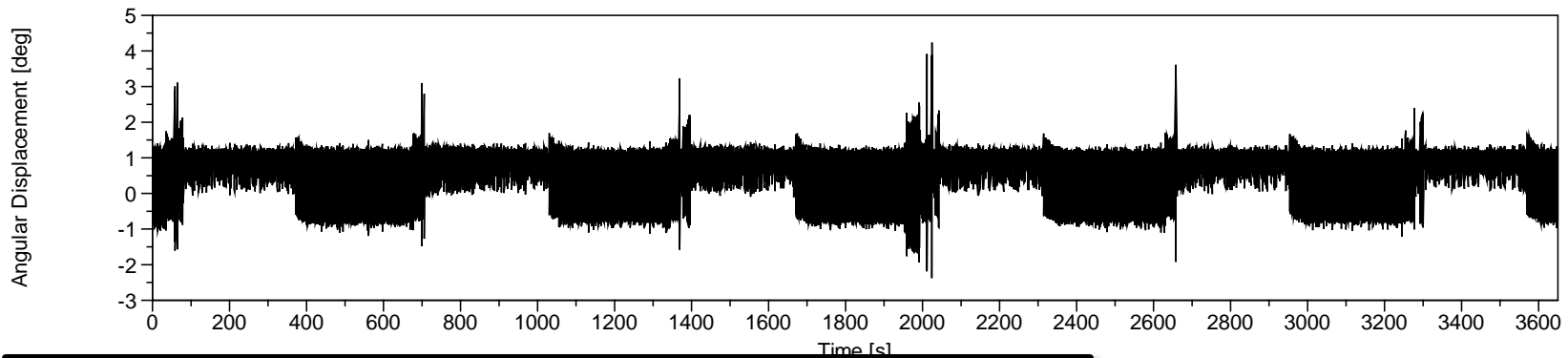
Speed vs. time, shaft 1, data recorded 1/11/13



Flywheel Speed

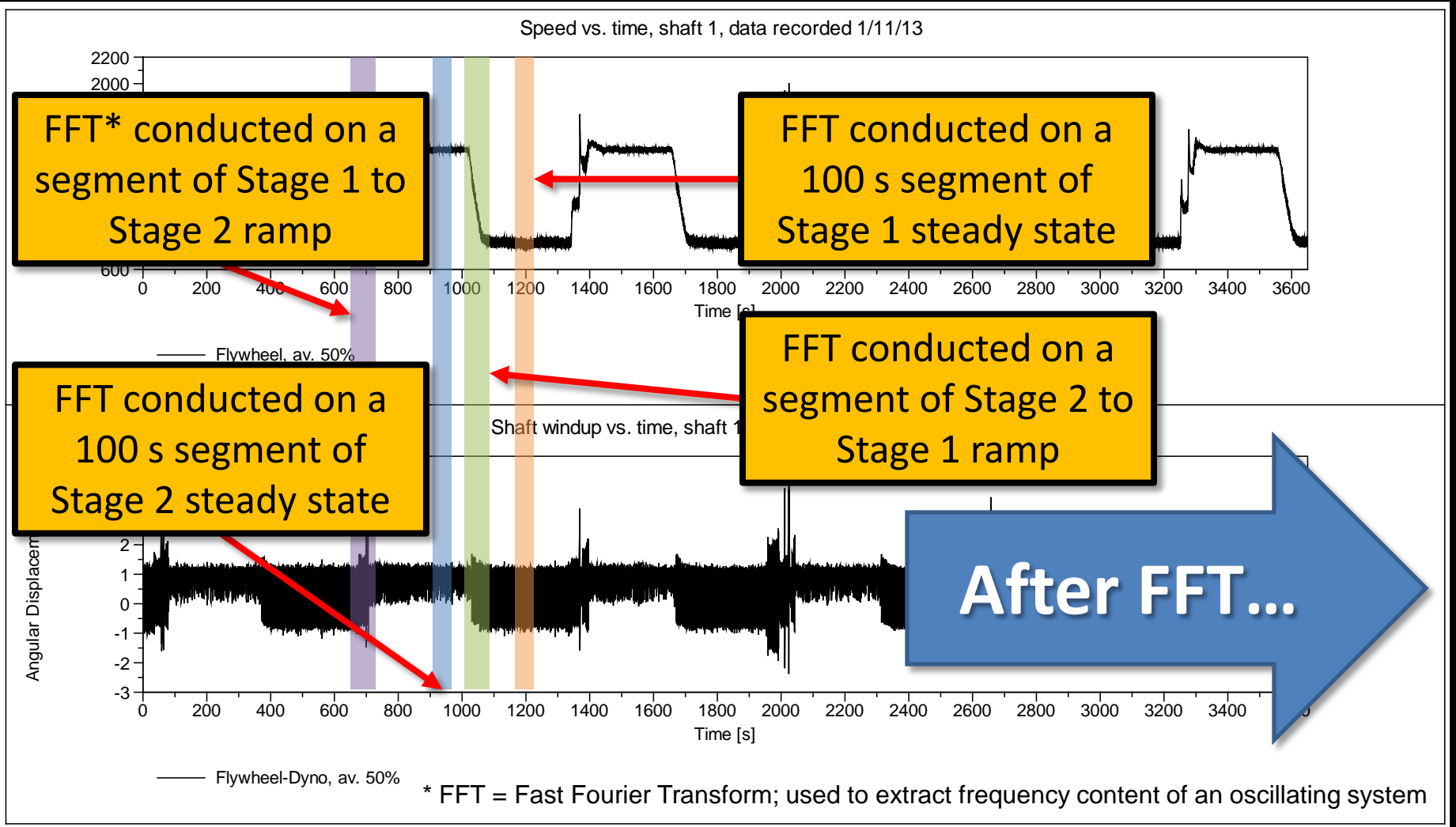
Dynamometer hub speed is similar...

Shaft windup vs. time, shaft 1, data recorded 1/11/13



Flywheel Speed – Dynamometer Hub Speed

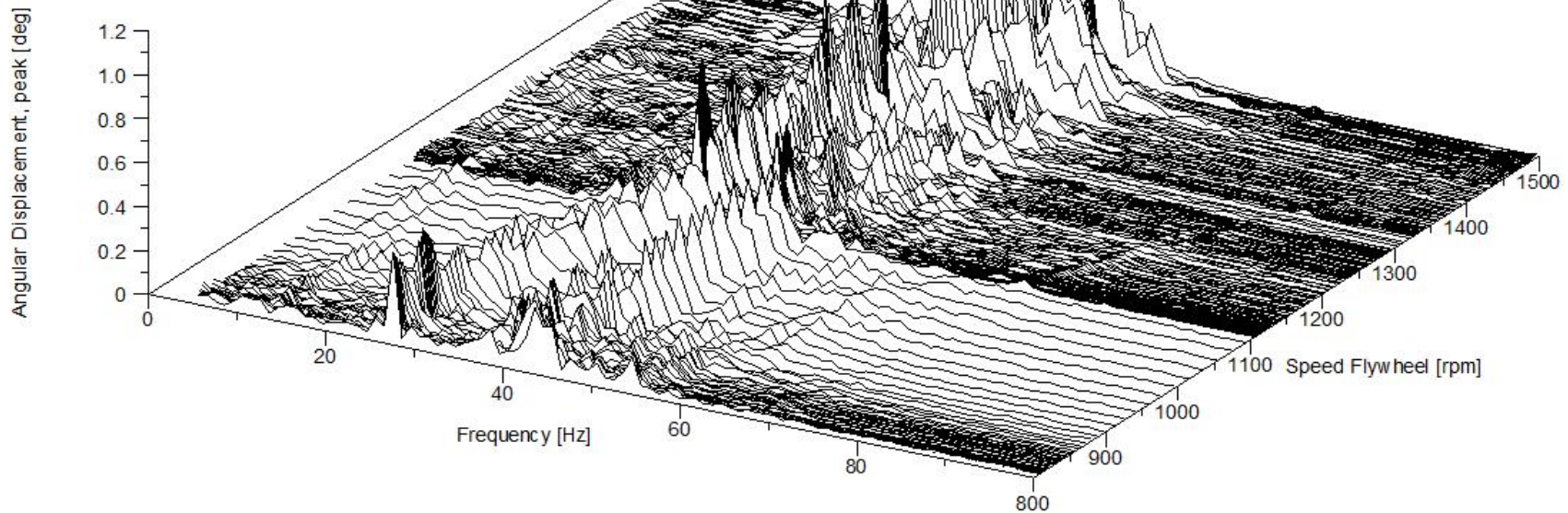
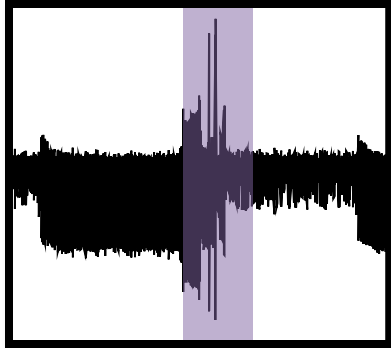
# Obtaining Frequency Content



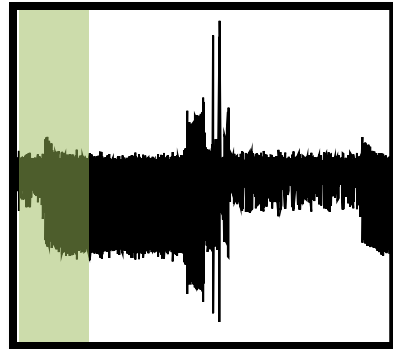


# Frequency Content – 1 to 2 Ramp

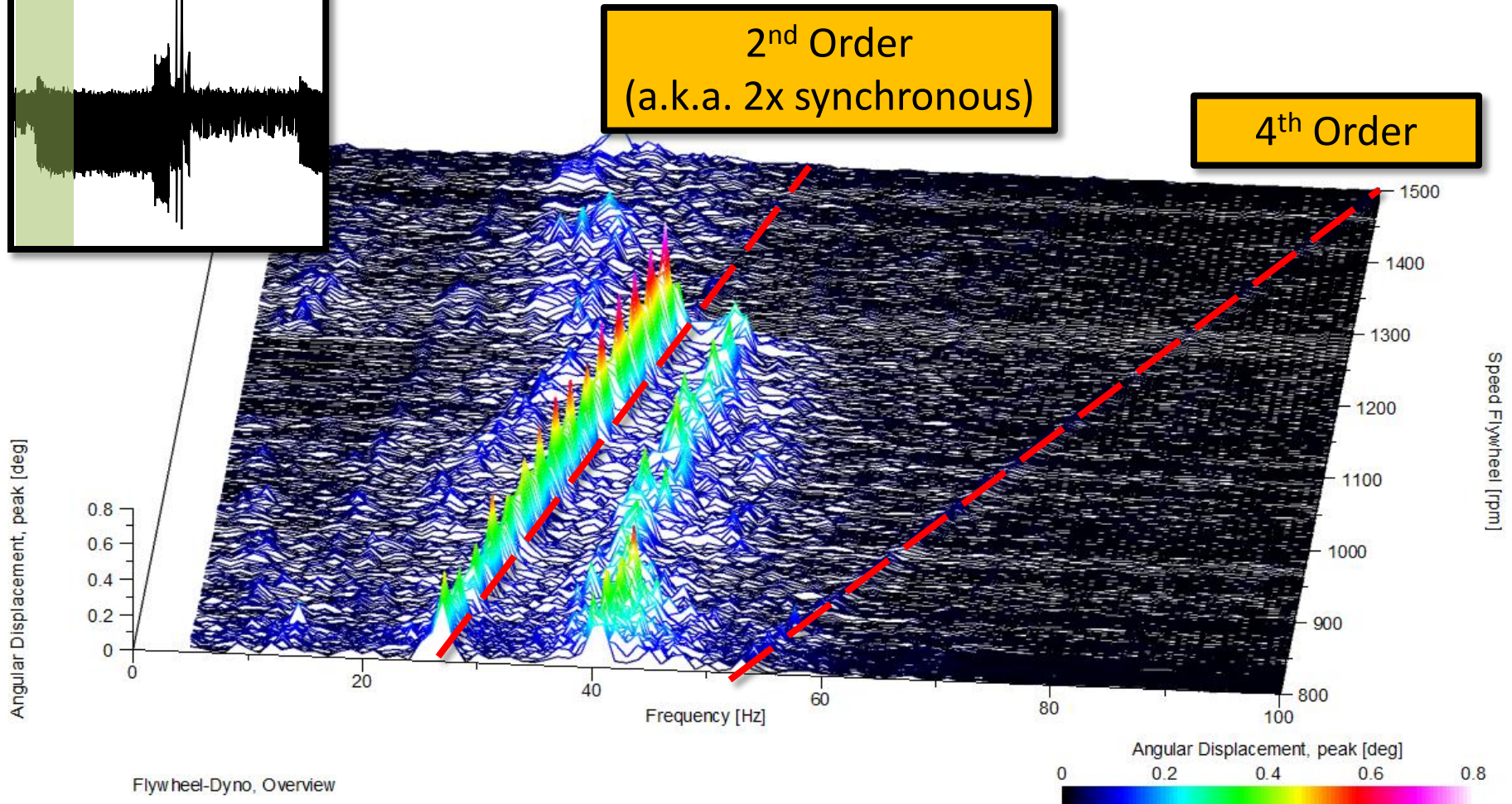
Wind-up of the shaft, shaft 1, first increasing ramp, data recorded 1/11/13



# Frequency Content – 2 to 1 Ramp



Shaft wind-up, shaft 1, first decreasing ramp, data recorded 1/11/13

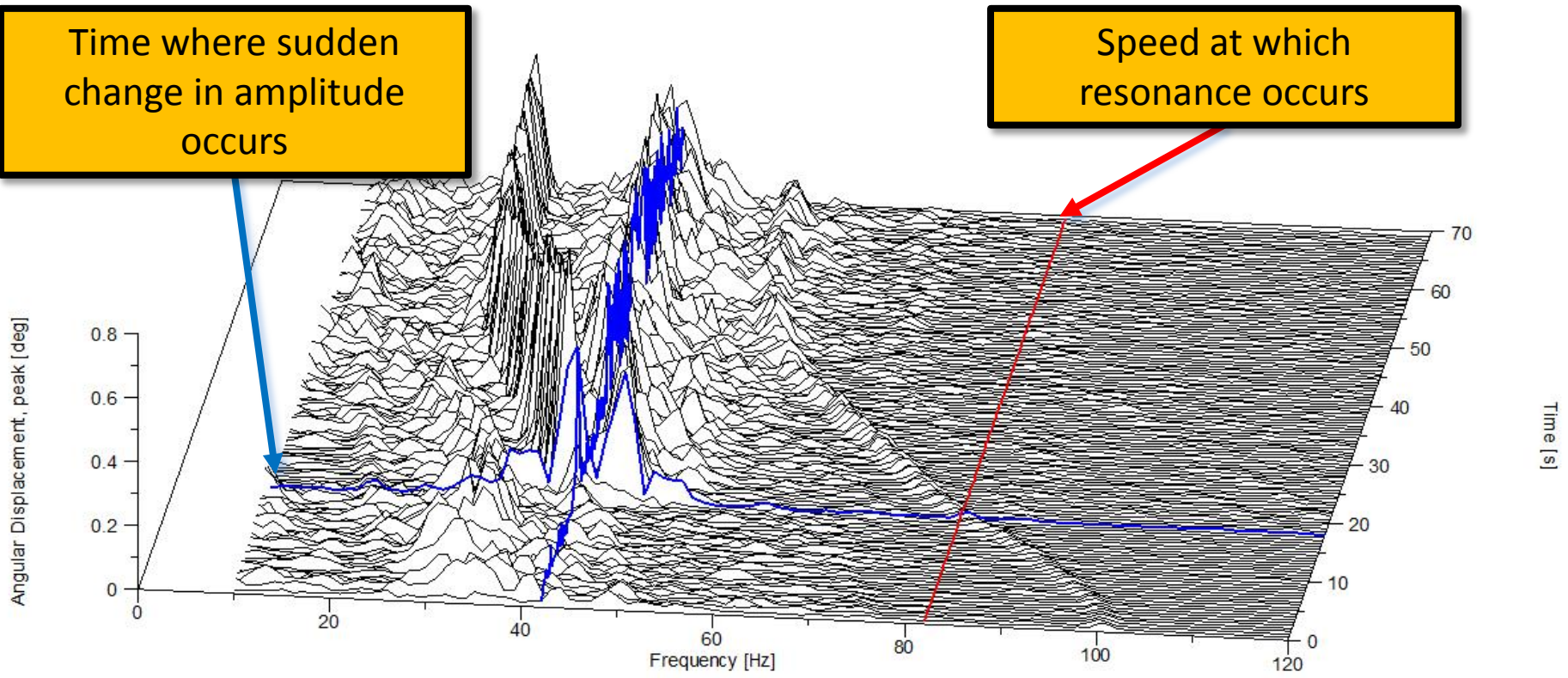




# Natural Frequency on Ramps

Windup of shaft 1 during 1st decreasing speed ramp, data recorded 1/15/13

1: 42.0000 / 18.0003 z: 0.4877  
2: 82.0000



Time where sudden change in amplitude occurs

Speed at which resonance occurs

Resonant speed = 82Hz = 1230rpm



# Objective 1

- To quantify differences in torsional vibration dynamics in the engine test stand system between drivelines of different stiffnesses

**Solid Shaft**



**Damped Shaft**



# Comparison of $\omega_n$ at Different Driveshaft Stiffness

| Operation | Observed Resonant Frequency |              |
|-----------|-----------------------------|--------------|
|           | Solid Shaft                 | Damped Shaft |
| 1-2 Ramp  | 51Hz                        | 39Hz         |
| 2-1 Ramp  | 44Hz                        | 36Hz         |

- Natural frequency ( $\omega_n$ ) measured during the 1-2 ramp and the 2-1 ramps are not the same
- HOW?

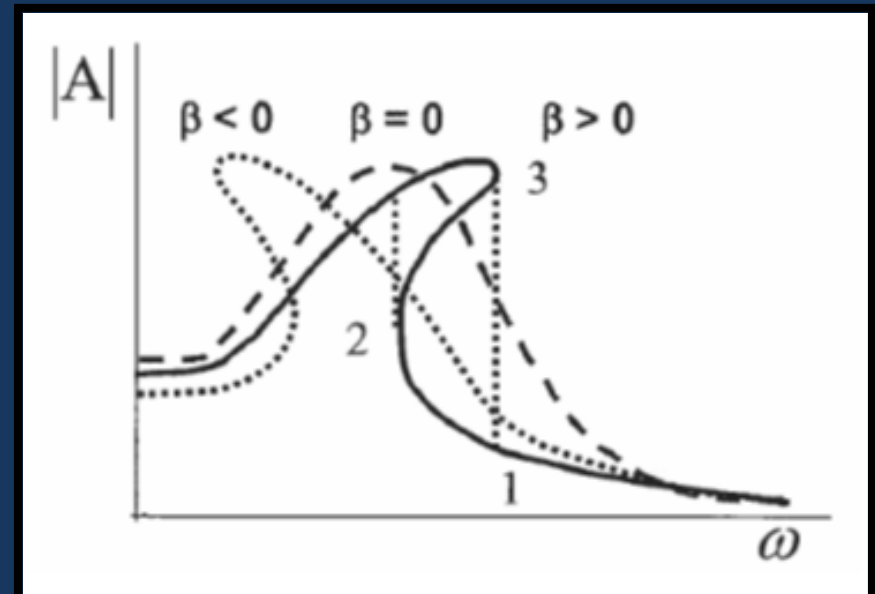
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| 2-1 Ramp  | 44Hz                        | 36Hz         |

- **Supposition:** Lash in splines in the driveshaft result in a non-linear spring system
  - Initial conditions (twist angle) can change the frequency of oscillation
- Not as prominent in damped shaft
  - Stiffness of damped shaft is dominated by rubber

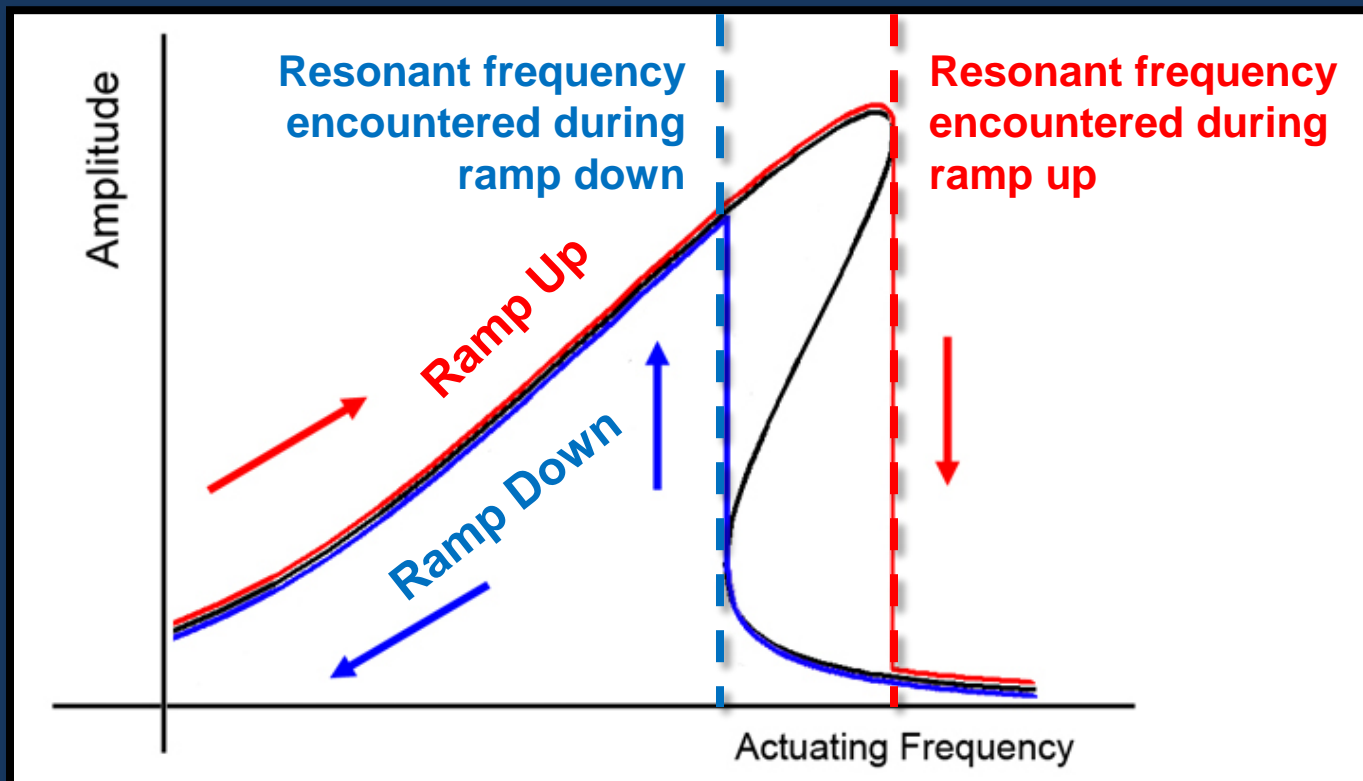
# Non-Linear Spring System

- Duffing equation
  - $m\ddot{x} + c\dot{x} + \alpha x + \beta x^3 = F\cos\omega t$
  - $\beta = 0$ , linear spring
  - $\beta > 0$ , hardening spring
  - $\beta < 0$ , softening spring



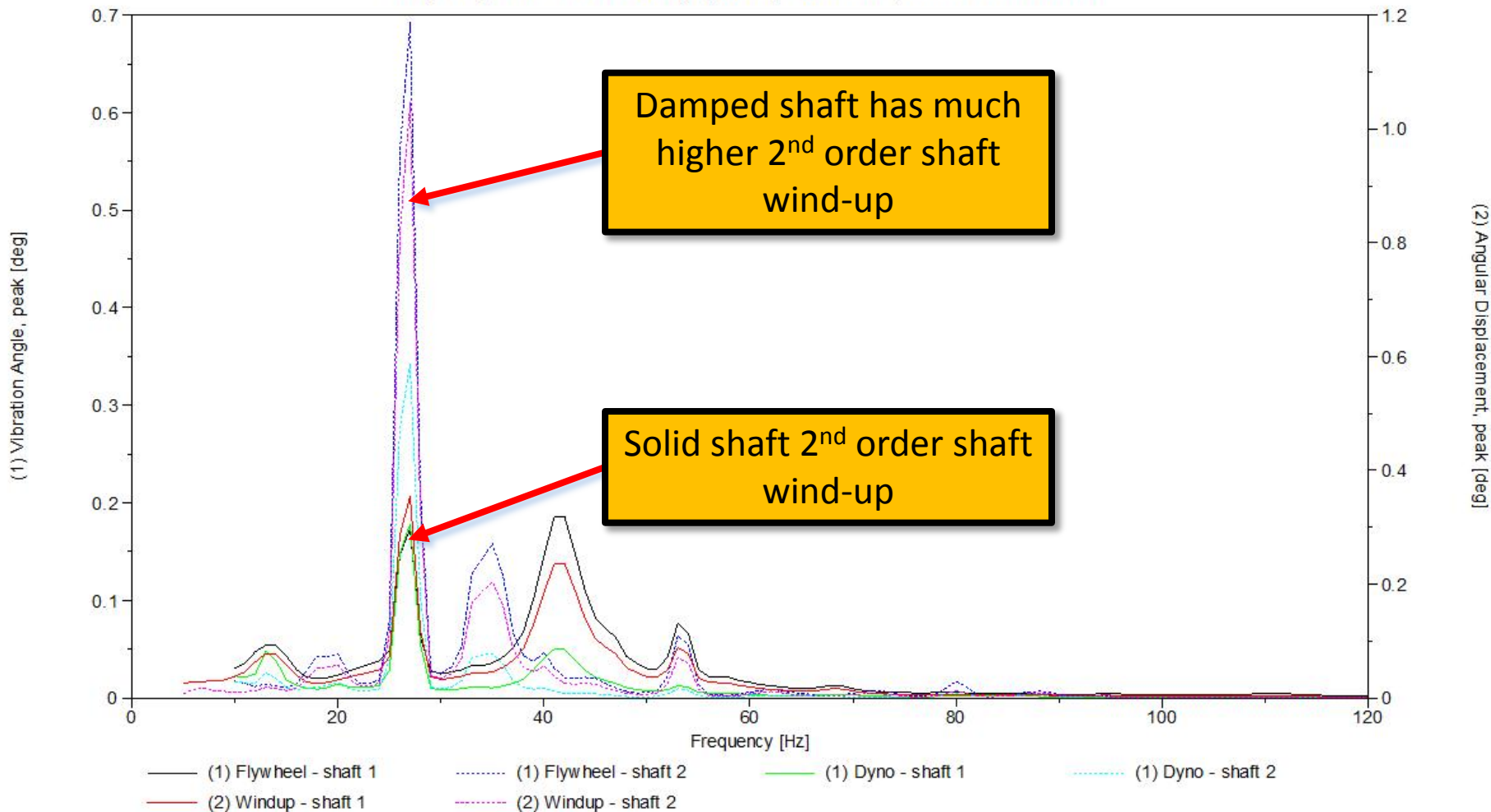
# Hardening Spring System

- Driveshaft vibration responses resemble hardening spring ( $\beta > 0$ )



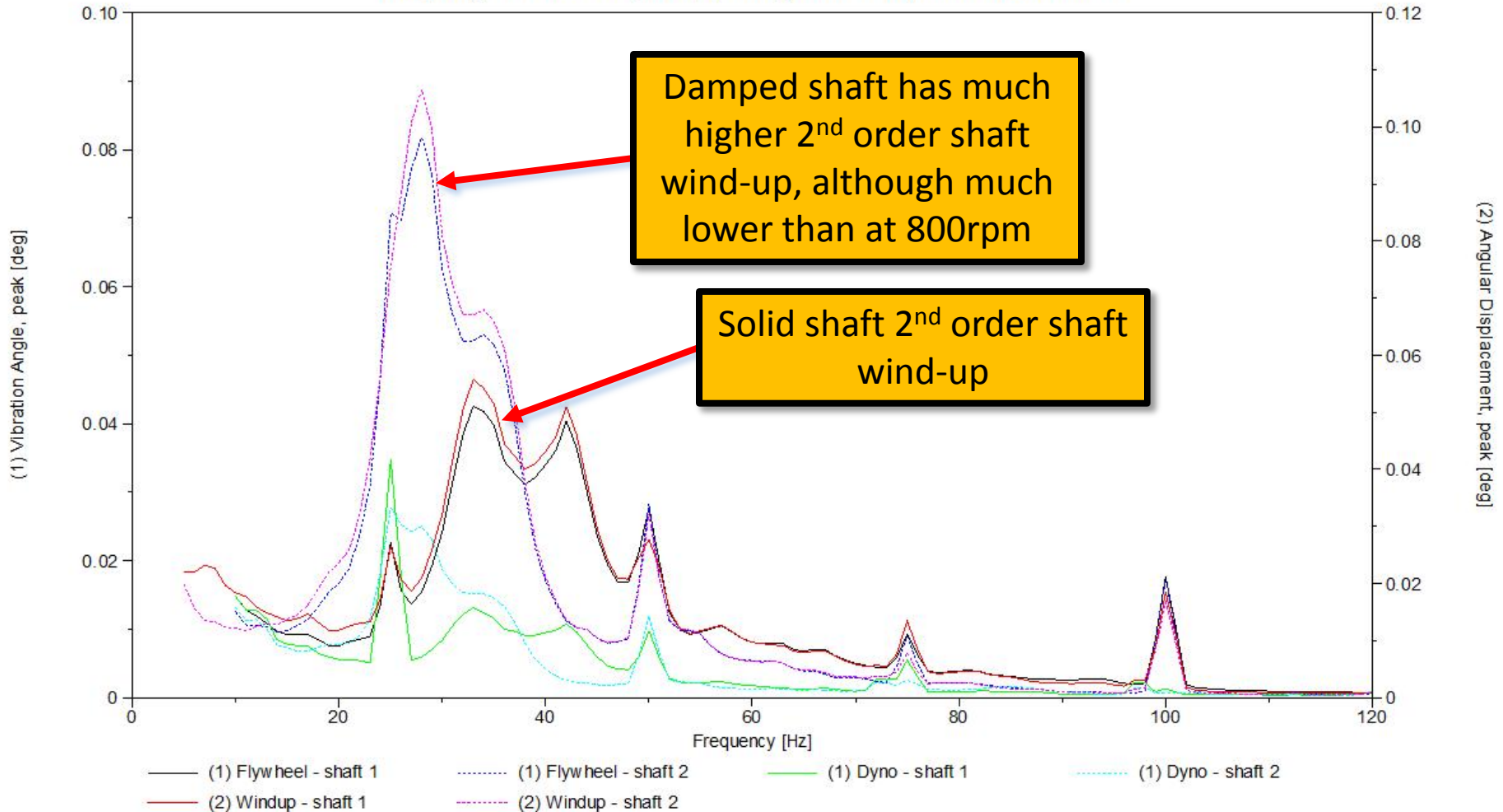
# Comparison of Driveshafts at 800rpm

Comparing shafts 1 & 2 at 800 rpm, average over 100 s, data recorded 1/11/13



# Comparison of Driveshafts at 1500rpm

Comparing shafts 1 & 2 at 1,500 rpm, average over 100 s, data recorded 1/11/13



## Objective 2

- To quantify differences in torsional vibration dynamics in the engine test stand system between drivelines of different lengths
- Driveshaft lengths: 34.5" vs. 20.5" (long vs. short)

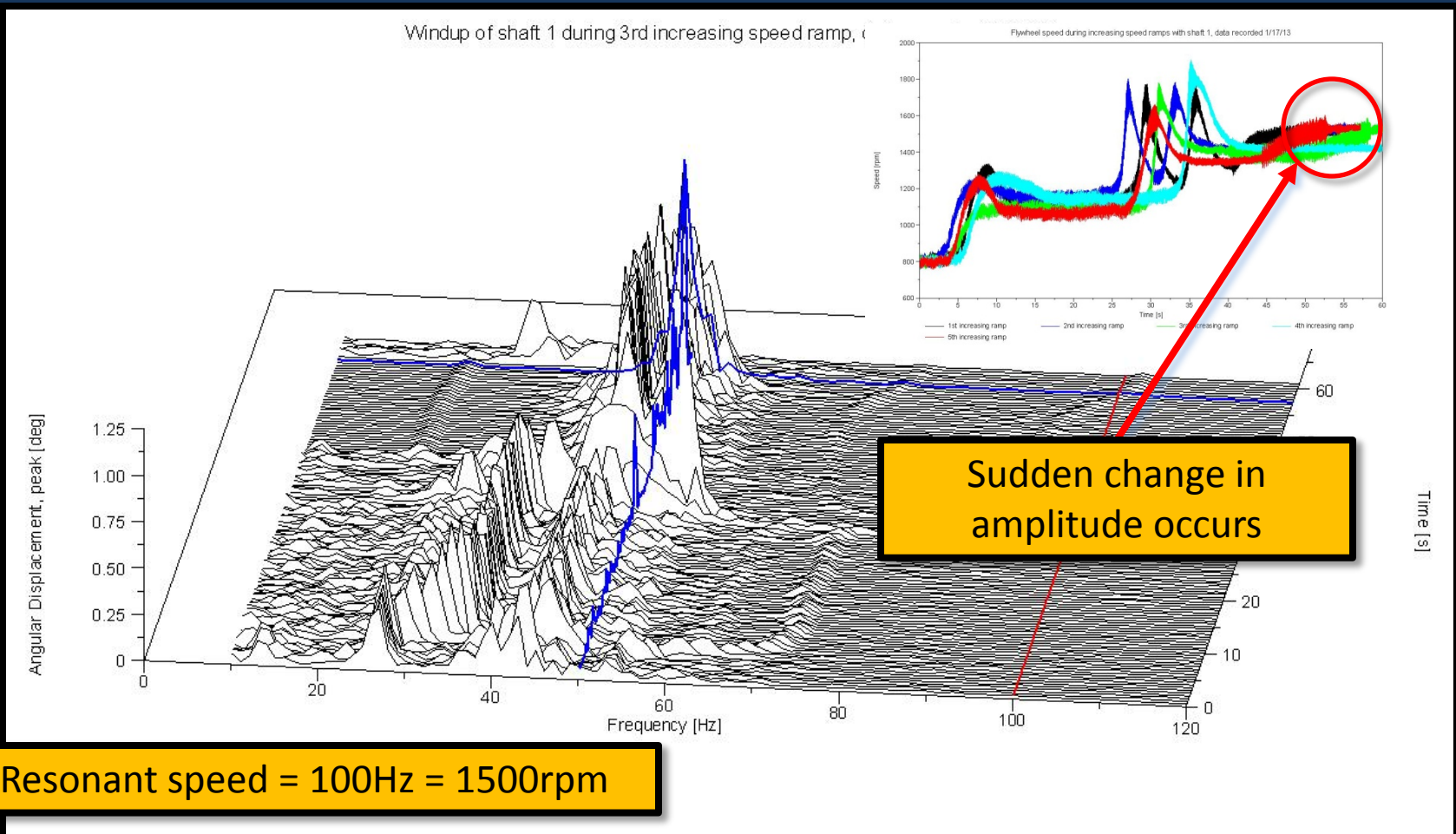
$$\omega_n = \sqrt{\frac{C}{J_{eq}}}$$

$$C = \frac{JG}{L}$$
$$J = \frac{\pi}{32} (D^4 - (D - 2t)^4)$$



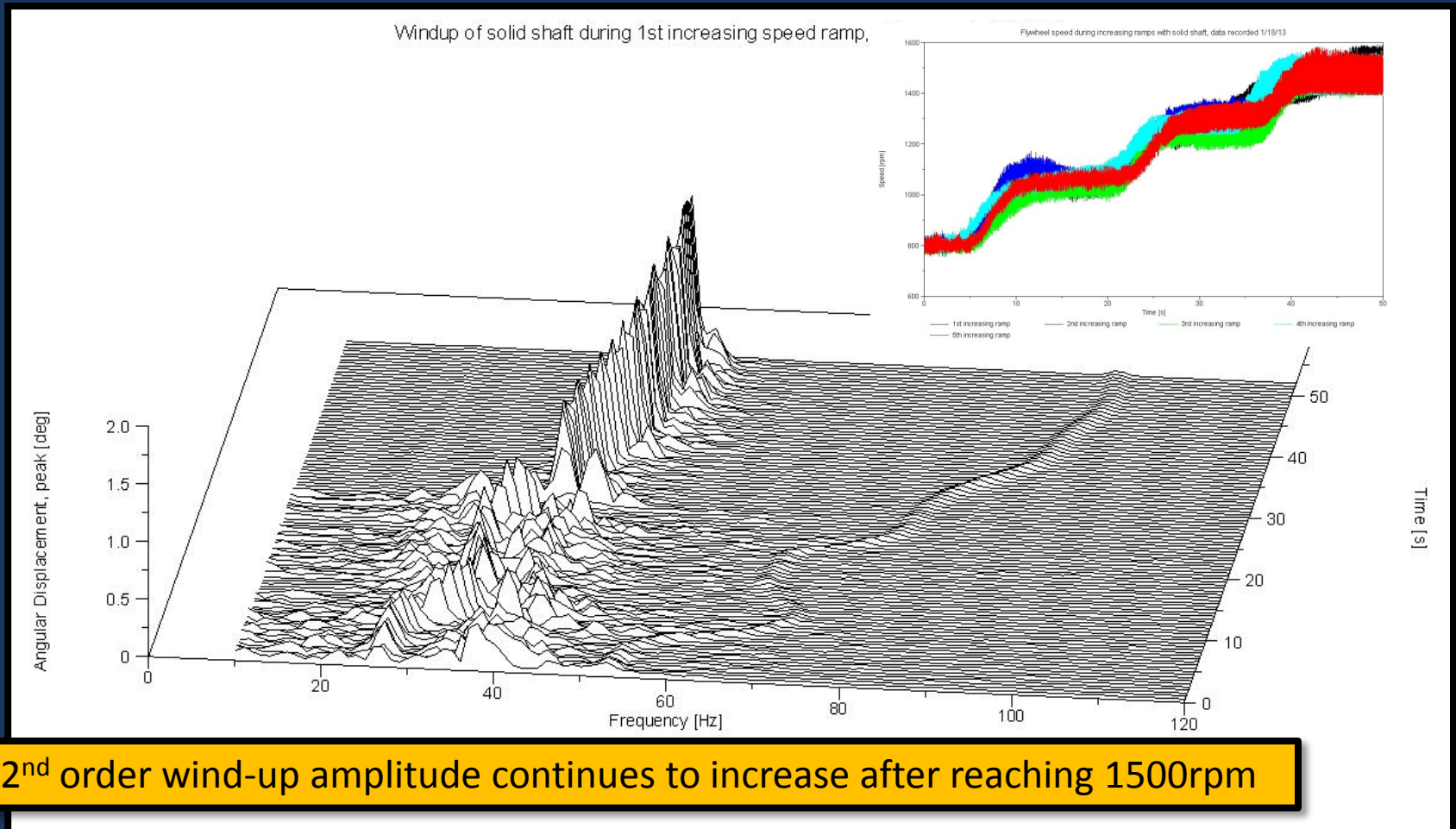
# Comparison of $\omega_n$ at Different Driveshaft Lengths on Ramp

- 34.5" (Long) Solid Shaft



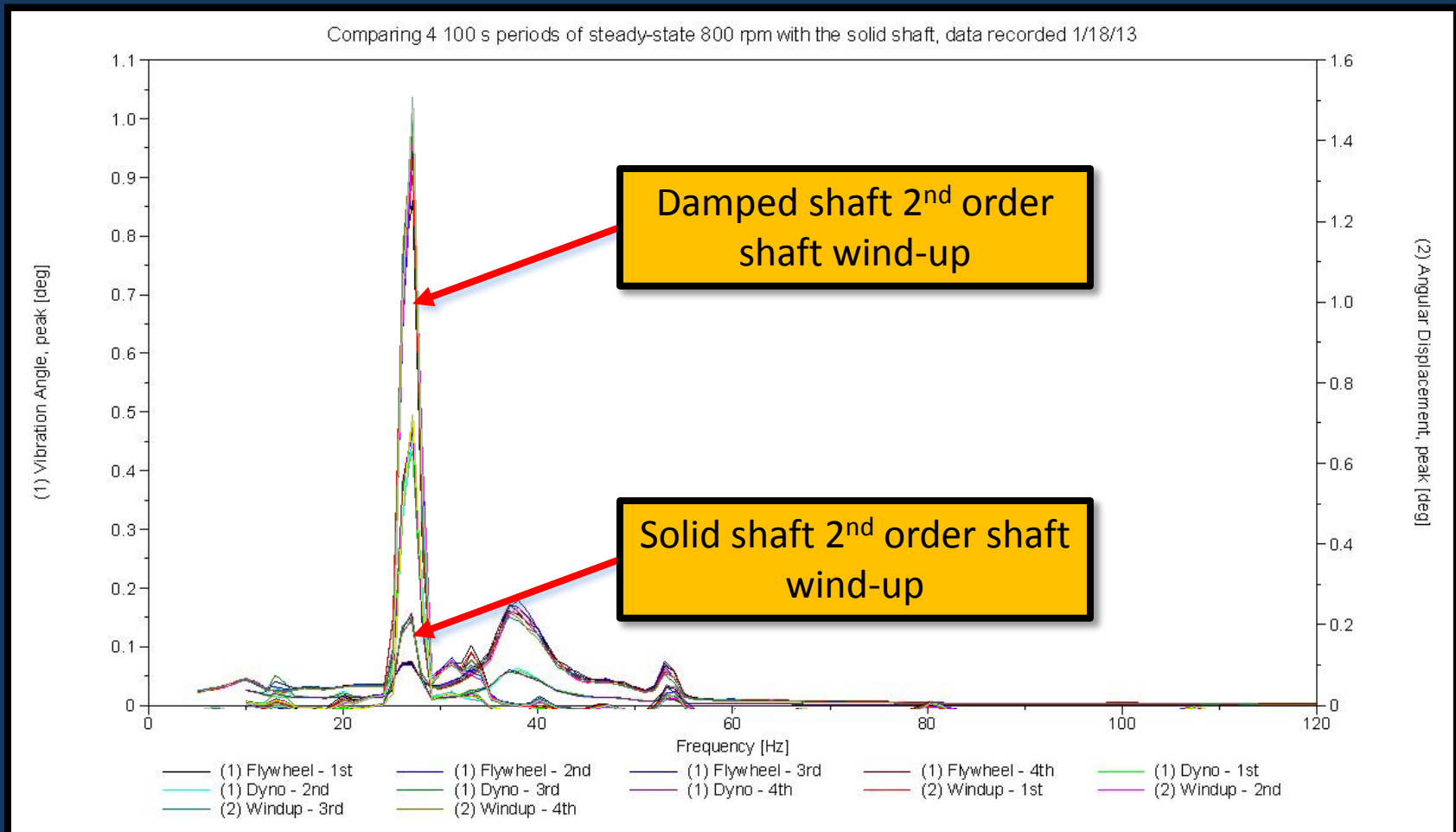
# Comparison of $\omega_n$ at Different Driveshaft Lengths on Ramp

- 20.5" (Short) Solid Shaft



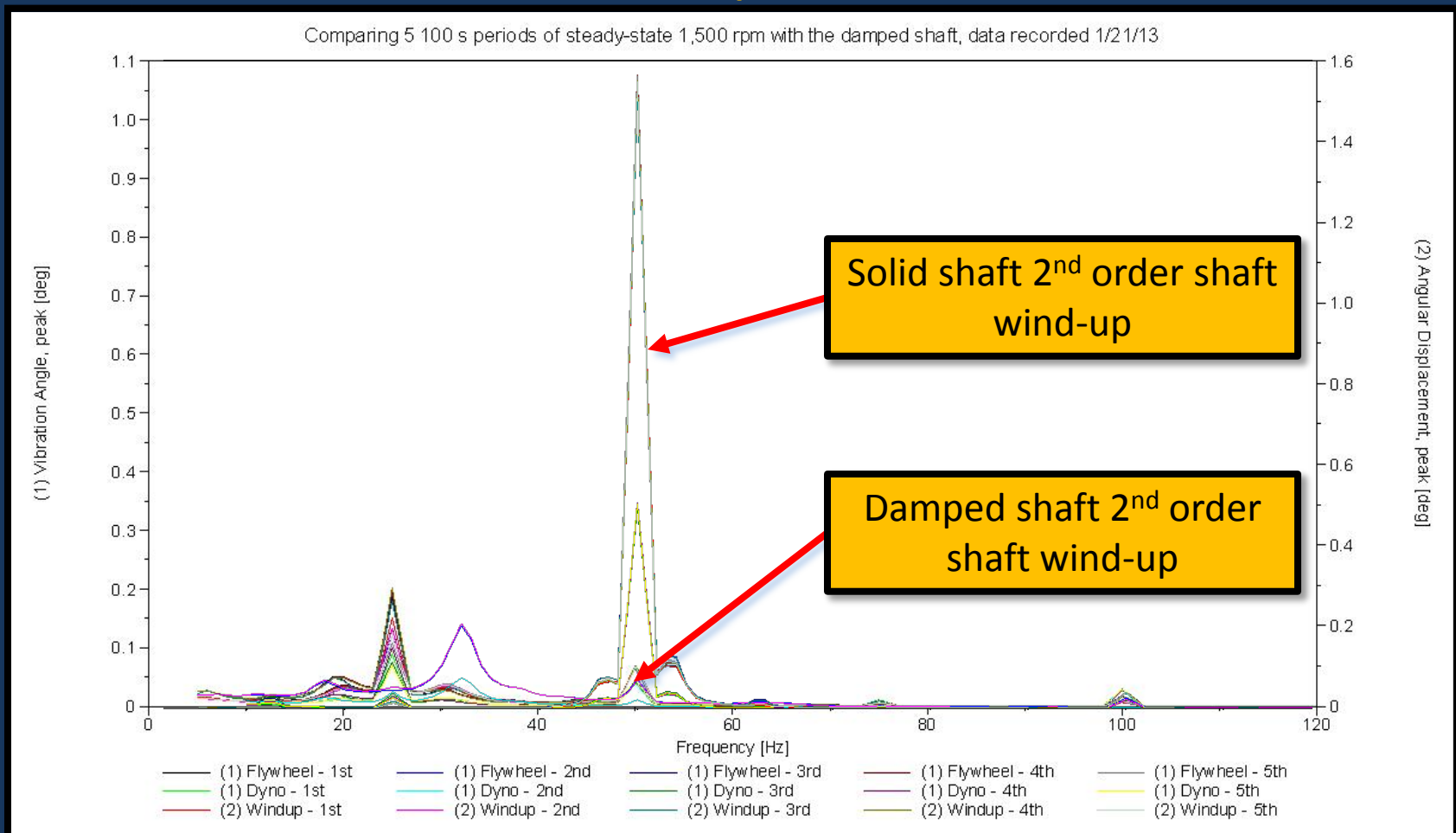
# Comparison of $\omega_n$ at Different Driveshaft Lengths at 800rpm

- 20.5" Solid Shaft vs. Damped Shaft



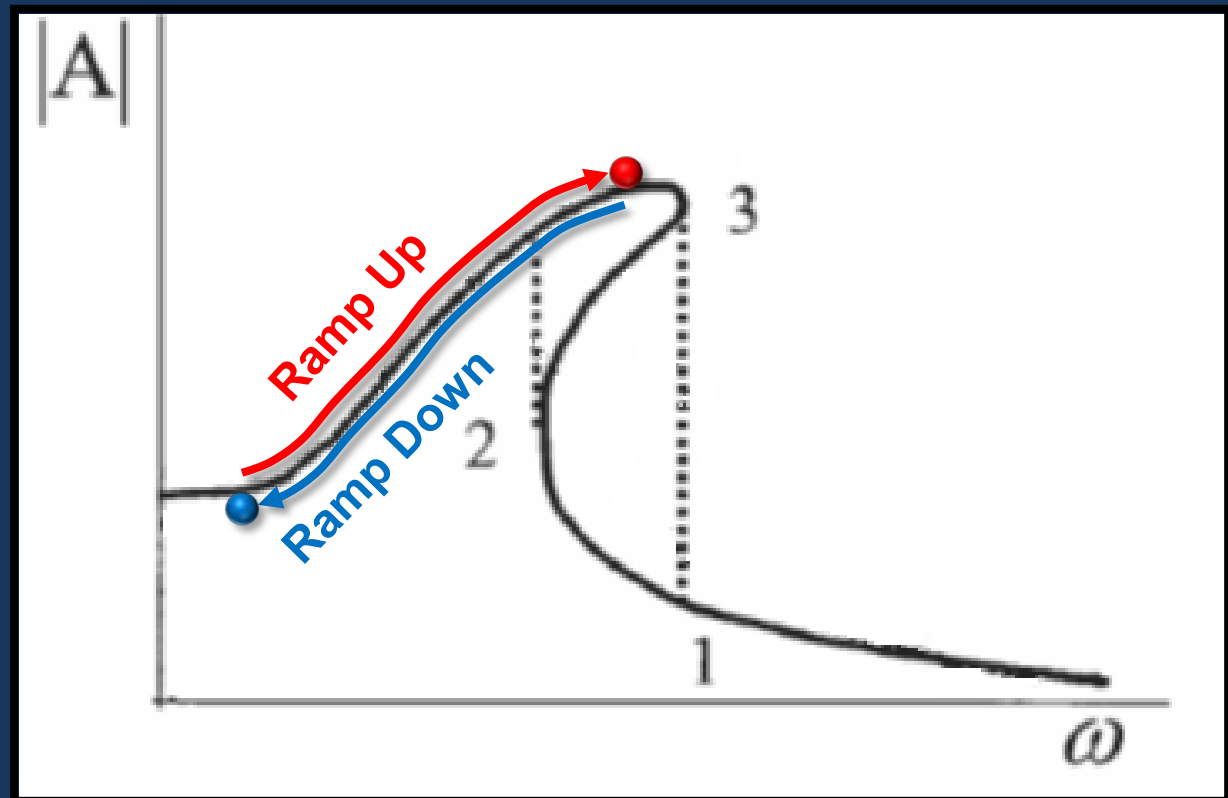
# Comparison of $\omega_n$ at Different Driveshaft Lengths at 1500rpm

- 20.5" Solid Shaft vs. Damped Shaft



# What is Happening with the Short Solid Shaft?

- Excitation frequency did not exceed natural frequency during ramp up (point 3)
- No Jump

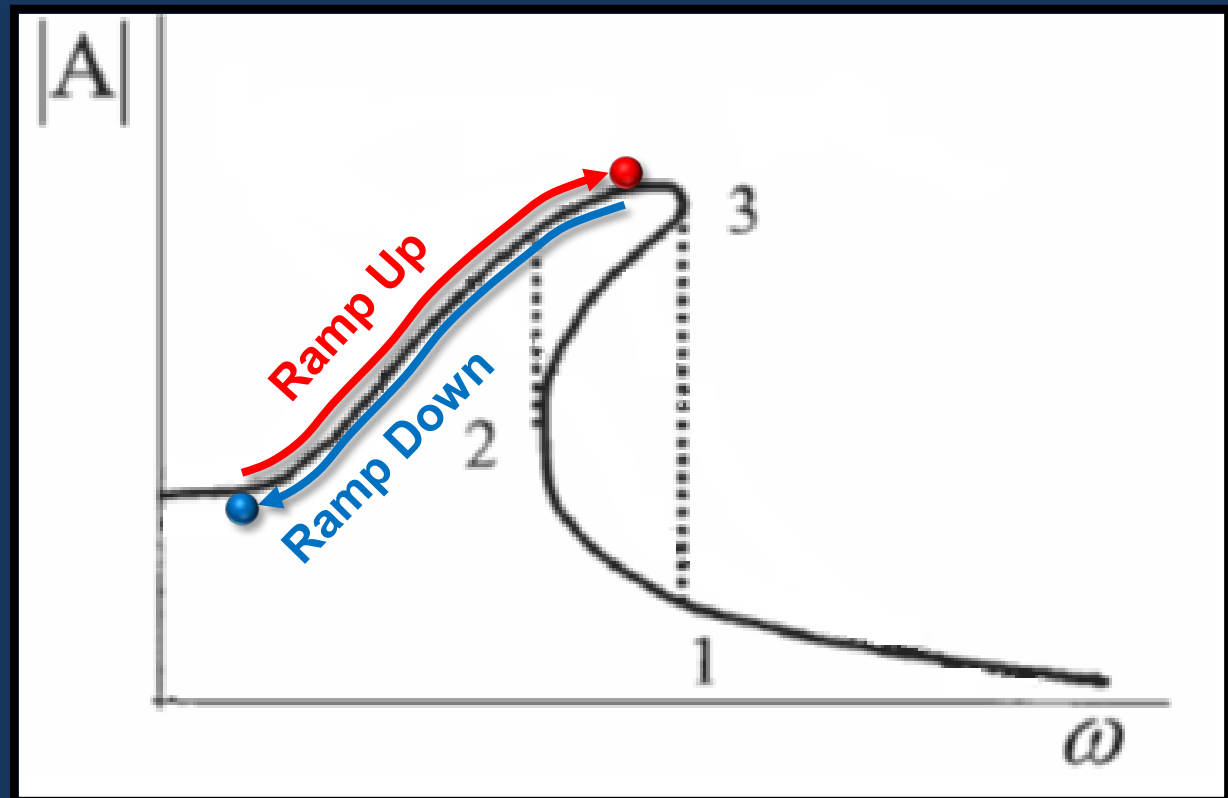


# What is Happening with the Short Solid Shaft?

- Shift to higher natural frequency with shorter solid shaft

$$C = \frac{JG}{L}$$

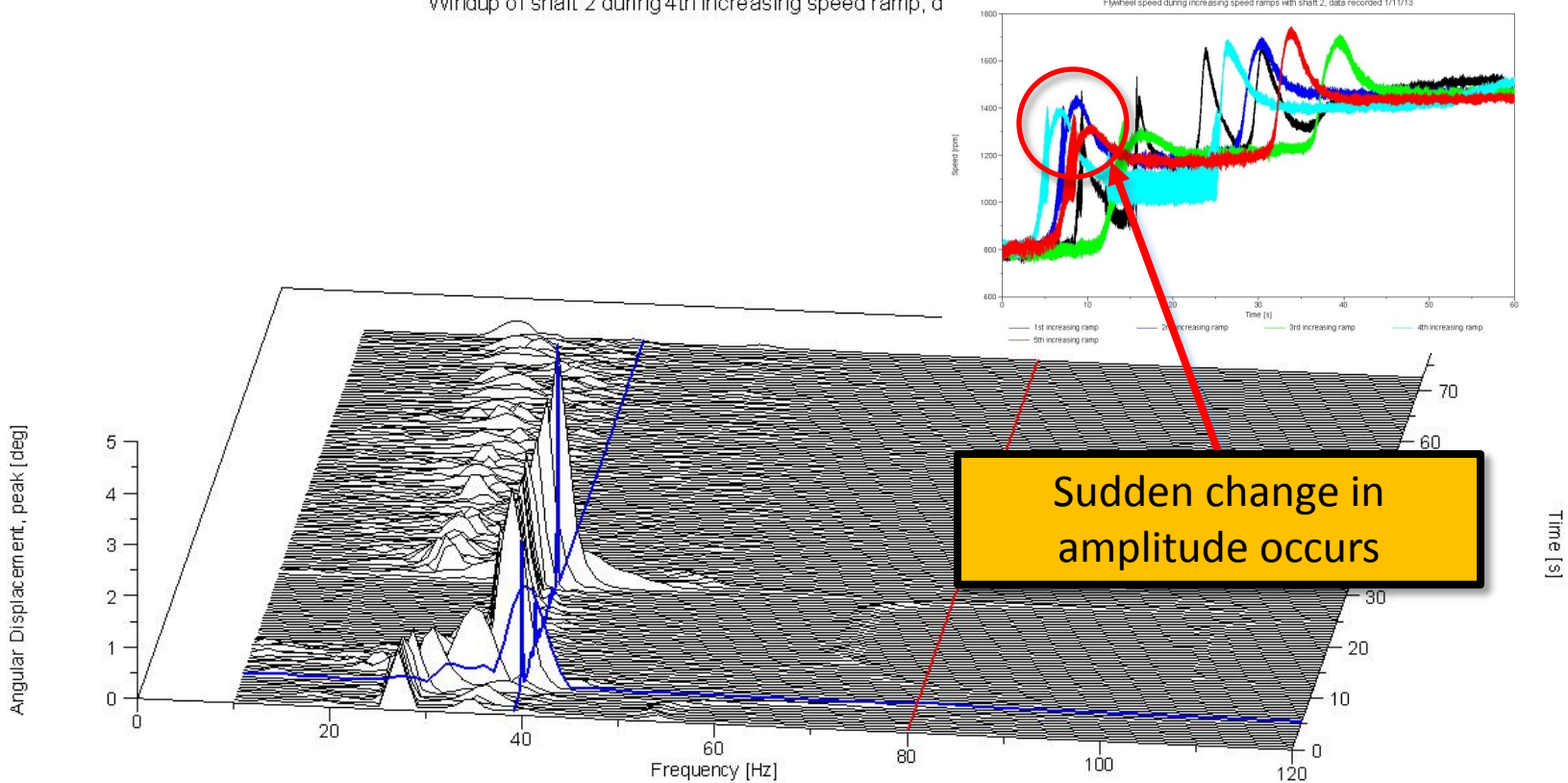
$$\omega_n = \sqrt{\frac{C}{J_{eq}}}$$



# Comparison of $\omega_n$ at Different Driveshaft Lengths on Ramp

- 34.5" (Long) Damped Shaft

Windup of shaft 2 during 4th increasing speed ramp, d

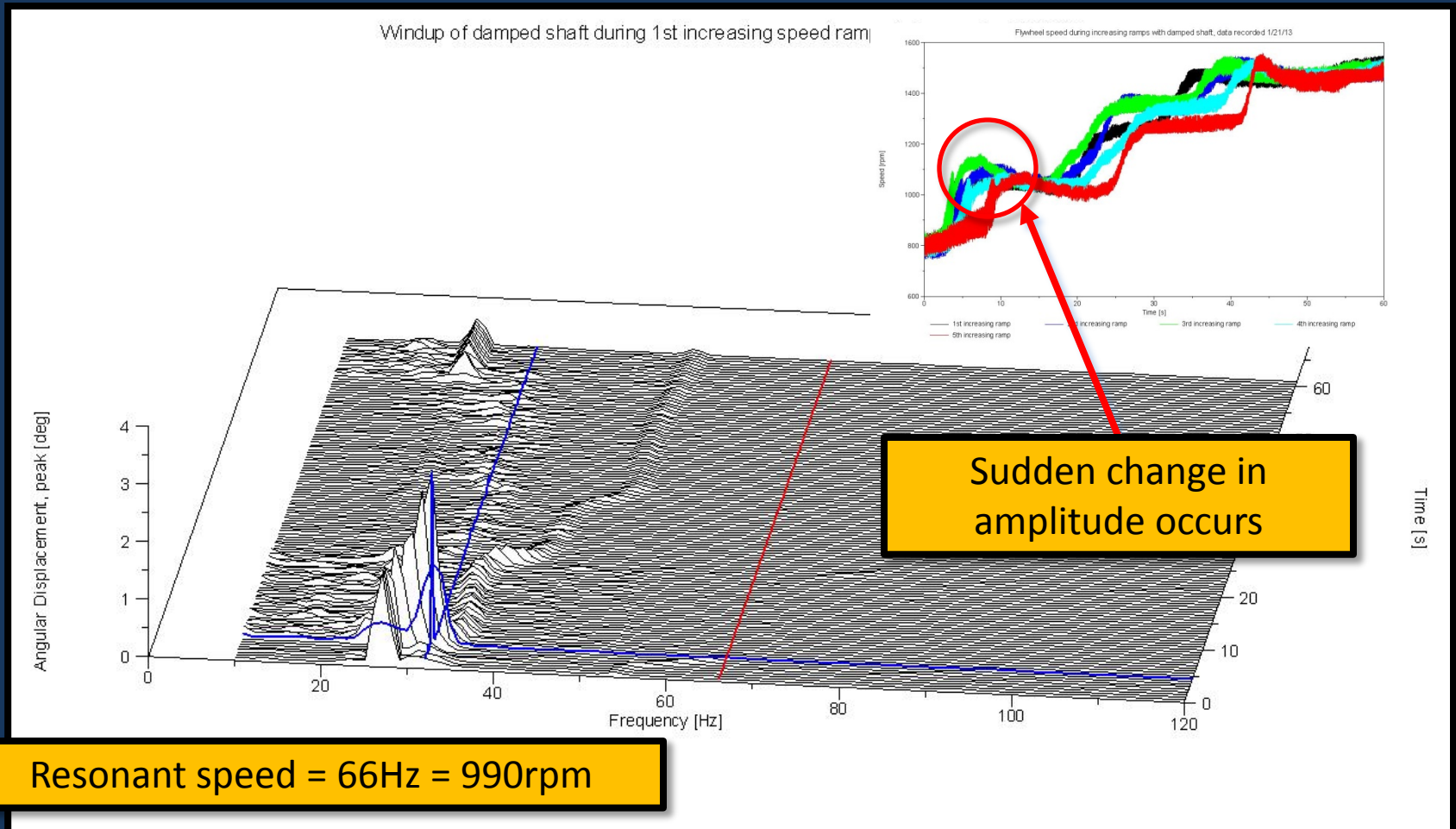


Resonant speed = 80Hz = 1200rpm



# Comparison of $\omega_n$ at Different Driveshaft Lengths on Ramp

- 20.5" (Short) Damped Shaft





# Comments About Damped Driveshaft at Different Lengths

- Natural frequency shifted lower in short driveshaft
- Not expected according to stiffness equation
- Still shows driveshaft length has significant effect on vibrational response

# Conclusions

- Driveline of different stiffness changed the torsional vibration dynamics of the test stand
  - Both driveshafts behave like hardening springs; solid shaft more so...
  - Shaft wind-up amplitudes larger with damped shaft

# Conclusions

- Driveline of different length also change torsional vibration dynamics of the test stand
  - *Solid Shaft:*
    - Wind-up did not reach isolation at 1500rpm with shorter shaft
    - Natural frequency shifted higher with shorter shaft
  - *Damped Shaft:*
    - Natural frequency shifted lower with shorter shaft

# Next Steps...

- Investigate potential differences between two stands with the same driveshaft
- Measure torsional vibrations at camshaft
- Measure temperature at camshaft-rocker pad contact point
- Correlate torsional vibration with contact temperature

# Acknowledgments

- Dr. George Bailey – Engineering and Technical Support
- Fred Gerhart – Technical Support
- Chris Peyton – Technical Support

# Questions

Thanks you for your time...

Motions and Action Items

As Recorded at the Meeting by Bill Buscher

- 1) Action Item – Surveillance panel chair to solicit suppliers for a GF-5 technology reference oil with ACW performance in the 50 to 90  $\mu\text{m}$  range, preferably closer to 50  $\mu\text{m}$ .
- 2) Action Item – SP chair to inform Nissan that cylinder head components will not be necessary to include in the upcoming Nissan hardware solicitation to the ASTM labs.
- 3) Motion – Lab A to issue a detailed report to be included in the meeting minutes of today's meeting, on the regrinding process of Sequence IVA test camshafts, including a timeline and a dataset including camshaft lot numbers and quantities reground, by January 31, 2013. If available differentiate LTMS data within a camshaft lot by reground and non-reground camshafts.

Dave Glaenzer / Jim Linden / Passed 12 – 0 – 1

- 4) Motion – Modify the Sequence IVA test procedure to allow the OHT non-nickel plated oil cooler (p/n OHTKA24-006-1), in conjunction with an OHT adapter plate (p/n OHTKA24-005-1), as an acceptable replacement for the Nissan oil cooler. The OHT oil cooler and adapter plate will be introduced at a test lab with an official calibration test, including appropriate notes in the test report comments section, on each stand. Once a lab switches from the Nissan to the OHT oil cooler on a stand, that lab will not switch that stand back to the Nissan oil cooler.

Bill Buscher / Jerry Brys / Passed 12 – 0 – 1

- 5) Motion – Modify Sequence IVA test procedure to allow for 48 (from 32) runs per engine assembly and 24 (from 16) runs per cylinder head assembly. Effective 1/24/12.

Al Lopez / Jerry Brys / Passed 12 – 0 – 1

- 6) Action Item – Southwest Research Institute to issue procedures for refurbishing Nissan throttle bodies, intake manifolds and exhaust manifolds.
- 7) Action Item – Lubrizol to issue information on supplier for remanufactured Nissan ECUs.

- 8) Action Item – Labs to check for supply of damaged Nissan wiring harnesses. If available, return damaged wiring harnesses to OHT for potential refurbishing.
- 9) Action Item – Keep RO 1006-2 targets constant at  $N = 25$ , but review and update targets at  $N = 30$ .
- 10) Motion – Modify section 6.4.1.3 to add a sentence to state “do not modify or alter critical test parts without surveillance panel approval”.

Rich Grundza / Jason Bowden / Passed Unanimously